Woodsia glabella, R. Br.

Shaded cliffs, Cape Trinity,

Saguenay River, Canada.

August 12, 1879.

C. G. Pringle.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

—STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

3403 Aspidium juglandifolium, Kunze.

Cool ledges and slopes, Tamasopo Canyon.

25, November.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1885.

—STATE OF CHIHUAHUA—

451 Notholæna nivea, Desv.

Limestone ledges, Santa Eulalia Mts.

15, September.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

1837 Asplenium Pringlei, Davenport n.sp.

Wet cliffs near Guadalajara.

5, December.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

1839 Aspidium Athyrioides, Mart. & Gal.

Wet banks and ledges near Guadalajara.

3, December.

A

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

Neallyi Seaton

1864 Notholæna ~~Grayi, Davenport.~~

var Mexicana Dav.

Dry shaded ledges of the barranca near Guadalajara.

30, November.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

—STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

3403 Aspidium juglandifolium, Kunze.

Cool ledges and slopes, Tamasopo Canyon.

25, November.

CURTISS, NORTH AMERICAN PLANTS, No. 3704

P

Pteris Cretica, L.

Shaded rocks, Appalachicola River, near Aspalaga, Florida.

Legit A. H. CURTISS. *April.*

CURTISS, NORTH AMERICAN PLANTS, No. 3668

B

Polypodium Phyllitidis, L.

On logs in dark woods between the Everglades and Bay Biscayne, Florida.

Legit A. H. CURTISS. *June.*

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

4001 —STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

Polypodium - petiolatum n. sp.?

On mossy oaks,

Las Canoas,

19 August, 1891.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1886.

—STATE OF CHIHUAHUA—

827 Cheilanthes

Cold ledges and slopes, Portrero Peak.

Alt. 7,300 ft. 12, October.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1885.

—STATE OF CHIHUAHUA—

444 Asplenium Trichomanes, L.,

var. radicans, Davenport.

Wet ledges, rocky hills near Chihuahua.

October.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF NUEVO LEON—

1982 Aspidium.... ....

Cool shaded canons S. M. near Monterey.

14, June.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1889.

—STATE OF NUEVO LEON—

2599 Notholæna ~~Lemmoni, Eaton~~,

~~var.~~ rigida, Davenport.

Limestone ledges, Sierra de la Silla, Monterey.

31, May.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

3413. —STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

Asplenium

Rich forests, Tamasopo Cañon.

25, Nov.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

—STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

3298 Pellæa rigida, Hook.

Ledges and bare banks,
San Jose Pass.

11, October.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

Pellaea angustifolia var. cuneata

Near Guadalajara.

3026

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1889.

2603. —STATE OF NUEVO LEON—

Sierra Madre, Near Monterey.

N. June, 1889.

[illegible]

[illegible] 1863.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont,

January, 19th, 1874.

Geo. E. Davenport

My dear Friend,

The liberal manner in which you dealt with me [illegible] must have [illegible] me, almost as much as it [illegible] me; [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the specimens designed for your own herbarium, in order that you may furnish me with some of rare acquisition.

I thank you for the frequent proofs [illegible] constantly increasing obligations to you; and reciprocate your kind New Year wishes. I hope the [illegible], which you have shown so much enthusiasm in planting in Massachusetts soil, will not fail to gladden you many times during the coming season. I expect the mystic

or botanical [illegible] on wild woods and mountain tops? To me half the pleasure [illegible] is making the acquaintance of [illegible] native home and then [illegible] the curious [illegible], — the [illegible] surroundings and special associates they choose. Among all the [illegible] which my chosen occupations [illegible] I think I prize of none quite so [illegible] pure as those which a day in the deep mossy woods, by the [illegible] margin of some blue lake, or on the wild, lone rock of some mountain summit, afforded me the [illegible] Creator.

As respect the flora of British America, which I hope to live long enough to explore, the world of [illegible], Flora Boreali-Americana, is something [illegible] to desire. I presume it is procurable in the market, [illegible] to your correspondence with [illegible]

Yours truly,

S. G. Pringle.

me will prove a very busy one to me, and much depends upon its being a successful one also. Besides my usual cares I now labour, I have to grow a large quantity of vegetables of a new variety of my own raising, a cross between the Gloucester and the Early Rose, which the seed firm of Sutton & Sons are about to introduce to the market. I mean in addition to charge of the State level experiments of our University of Vermont and State Experiment Station, and the remaining of horticulture experimental ground and arranging of a botanic garden, and of this enterprise I bring me the primary incumbent, which it now promises to be, I shall have the much needed means for pursuing my [illegible] in these studies.

I mean to apply myself with all needed diligence to my botanical studies, and I am glad to receive the list of plants which you desire. Your request for [illegible] Permit me to express in [illegible] of [illegible] in [illegible] manner, which perhaps I may need. A few days ago I wrote you by mail the report of [illegible] which I was able to gather during a few. Of some of the [illegible] I will in time, [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] common property here, it will require, I presume, more time than I desire [illegible] [illegible] experimental [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as I shall be able.

Exploration expenses I have not gone into [illegible], but I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Still it is [illegible] for me impossible to [illegible], if I permit myself to anticipate [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Greenbatte, Ont.

March, 8th, 1874.

My dear Mr. Darwin,

I really begin to think you will get made a botanist in spite of yourself, if I ever attain to any place among botanists, however modest it may be, I shall be compelled to accord to your assistance and encouragement much of the credit. I do not expect you will understand this, as I realize it. Each time during which you have me possessed a peculiar volume, and sent it in wonderfully opportune. I hope I may live to make you better return than I am now able to do. I am under obligations to you of which you are not aware. Let me tell you how your name brought back to me a very dear lost friend. The incident is a little singular; but more pleasing to me than strange. Twenty years ago, when I a school-boy and

[illegible] quietly [illegible]
which [illegible] [illegible]
seasons, I [illegible] in the [illegible] of the
[illegible] pursuits. His [illegible]
a [illegible] years [illegible] in [illegible] and his
in this [illegible] could not but feel an interest
in the pursuits of the young student who
had recently left our family. It was in
[illegible], an extensive and [illegible] botanist. I used remember our turning in
one the leaves of our herbarium, and by
so doing bring the peculiar beauty or
the variety of each species, awakening in
me a love for plants. So my visits were
many days [illegible]. But our ways parted.
The family moved from post to post among
the Sioux [illegible], and I went to other schools,
till [illegible] lost all trace of them. But the other
day [illegible] came from Mrs. Piper of Portland,
with [illegible] and [illegible] a great joy. You
had sent me a little Hacking Leaf with
my name.

P.S. Since writing the above
years of the [illegible] as well as the memory
of them has come to mind. Surely, I
ought to take great pains to recall to them
as an estimable [illegible]. I begin with
that I could not [illegible] with your
[illegible] were I to become a Chessman
as the French say, or a Wandering Jew.

I have the last transactions of your
society from Mr. Bidwell. I thank you for
your thoughtfulness.

The catalogue and Botanical [illegible]
with which you so kindly remembered me
I was particularly pleased to receive.
I find them very [illegible].

Among my ferns I found two [illegible],
when I came to mount them this morning,
which are like anything I have, and
I can hardly make out what they are. I
do not remember where I gathered them,

[illegible]

[illegible] I [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Do not wait to induce Mr. Forbes to come to me, immediately on arrival into this part of Vermont. Should this be a favorable season for the objects of his visit to Stowe, and it is possible for me to say while my guest in my house, I will be more than willing to conduct him to the proper observatory which is of most interest to a botanist, or to ascertained stations of any particular plant in order with pleasure. I am glad to perceive by Mr. Frost's Catalogue, he will find that we have many plants not in Oakes' Catalogue, nor in Mr. Frost's supplement. I have hopes to do something in the same way this coming summer & to enter to get into the wilds of the N. E. part of the State. That region is a terra incognita.

I am under the necessity of asking any friends to give me notice, when they come to visit Montpelier. I live five miles from the Charlotte R.R. Station, and would meet them at the cars. So long a walk discourages some. I find I can reach your house in less time than you think, and

Yours Sincerely,

C. G. Pringle.

Mr. E. S. Rand.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible] strings and [illegible] which; to [illegible], ordered [illegible] [illegible] to our sandy, [illegible] calcareous cliffs of the Winooski for [illegible] and Asclepias rubro-purpurea; and to a [illegible] [illegible] the subtilissima [illegible] and [illegible] their original [illegible]. As I [illegible] planned to explore this [illegible] region in N. E. Vt., I should have [illegible] it to write with him as far as Willoughby Lake.

Your article in Observing upon Medicinal, etc., I think quite remarkable. Before receiving your request for [illegible] about N. E. medicinals, I had been running [illegible] for exhibition

Charlotte, Vermont

[illegible] Apr. 8th.

Dear [illegible] Dorman,

I hope [illegible] [illegible] is in no great [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for vegetation in [illegible] and I [illegible] so much delight in seeing [illegible] [illegible] again into active life; the grass has already given the fields a tinge of green; and the other day I found in the woods a few Hepaticas nearly open.

And I have already taken my share of the joys which the opening season offers; for last week I spent several days in the fields collecting a barrel of

[illegible] would
[illegible] the
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] assembled [illegible] I –
[illegible] this [illegible]
nineteen [illegible], with the exception
[illegible] indig-
[illegible].

[illegible] and
[illegible]
[illegible] third [illegible]. I
gathered [illegible] at the Comm-
[illegible] a little [illegible] of [illegible], [illegible]
which I [illegible] days ago. I [illegible]
[illegible] of an advance
[illegible] to remember you
this summer in my botanizing
[illegible] the best
I was able to find at the time
[illegible] worthy of your her-
barium. I thought they might

[illegible]
[illegible]

I think [illegible]
to obtain [illegible]
[illegible]
success [illegible]
[illegible] into [illegible].
[illegible]. [illegible] I [illegible] all
[illegible]
[illegible], and I [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible]
except [illegible] I have [illegible].
And of [illegible] exception [illegible]
is particular to give [illegible].

[illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible].
[illegible] to Vermont, and, if I can
possibly get away [illegible], I [illegible]
endeavor to convey [illegible] if it would
be acceptable to him that I [illegible]
do so, to the [illegible] of most interest in
[illegible] part of the State, to [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] time

be getting [illegible] in quite than

the month of August which [illegible]

[illegible] time [illegible]

that time, I think.

Thanking you in continuing to

[illegible] with welcome [illegible]

and [illegible] assurance of your friend-

ship and esteem which I [illegible]

[illegible] to hold as very valuable, I

remain

Very truly [illegible]

C. G. Ringle.

out of bloom. I had a question, to ask if it is not a disease [illegible].

[illegible] affords a quite delight in Bristol Pond, a very [illegible] pretty pond [illegible] surrounded by a long [illegible] of cows in extent. Its carpet of sphagnum is gay with Arethusa bulbosa, Gal. [illegible] Oakesii, and Pogonia ophioglossoides. Trees rise two or three feet in height the white [illegible] of the [illegible] Habenaria dilatata. I found there for [illegible] way, Liparis condylea, and a most beautiful pink Pyrola, the rotundifolia [illegible] bellissima.

I have already found a large part of the plants in the list you kind[illegible] gave. Some of them, [illegible] I can easily get for you, as they occur in the extreme southern part of the Pond, and in Pownal, where the flora corresponds with that of Western Mass., or in Pittsfield, etc. Your exceeding kindness [illegible] to make every effort to have you. Your list was read with appreciation.

Rutland, Vermont.

July, 27th, 1874.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

You were quite right in surmising that it would be a disappointment to me to fail of the pleasure of botanizing with Mr. Farlow. I had expected so much pleasure and profit from my visit to Vermont, and now only consoler myself with the hope and belief that the future will yet yield me the opportunities for botanizing and for making profitable acquaintances, which I now I may, [illegible] seriously. I took pleasure I could but praise the attractions of our Valley under contribution to the pleasure and advantage of Mr. F[illegible]; and had been searching into the circumstances in our mornings [illegible] which

[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I [illegible] a little tour through [illegible] in the north-eastern part of this State. Hoddie [illegible] is [illegible] tell me what are the [illegible] of Calypso [illegible] does its leaf parish [illegible]?

That region abounds in cold [illegible] and Bog, I understand; and its forests are [illegible] evergreens. [illegible] settled.

On the farm the season is thus far a prosperous one. Weekly rains induce a luxuriant vegetation. Haying with very strong [illegible] past; then fodders [illegible], and then enjoyment of fruits, which we think [illegible] of winter.

Hoping I have by all this writing inspired in you a desire to come this way with your portfolio,

I remain faithfully yours,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

August, 18th, 89.

My Dear C. Davenport.

The package of Canadian ferns which you were so thoughtful and so kind as to send me a few days ago were just what I had been wishing most for my little fern garden. I cannot think of anything which could have been more welcome. Could I send any thing to you I would not need to send the same common species, as I notice that they also, occur in Europe; so your fern delicacies may work in that direction a little later.

I enclose for you a few fronds in various stages of development of a variety of Aspidium Filix-mas, which I find common here on low grounds at a distance, and which, as near as I can

[illegible] of the [illegible] form of [illegible] in [illegible]. [illegible] my lens detect any structural glands on the [illegible] which seems to be smooth; and in other particulars it suggests the [illegible] form.

I transmit it to your [illegible]. I [illegible] of [illegible] duplicates, [illegible] if you make it worth to be different [illegible] in our [illegible] [illegible]

Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

Your account of the abandoned farm-table pit interests me exceedingly; and the [illegible] [illegible] speaking the way in which [illegible] found occupying it were introduced [illegible] similar one with me. It has often come up before me, when I have found a spot peculiarly fitted for certain plants, and no matter how limited the spot, [illegible] looked in vain for those plants growing very far removed, it may be, from any other species. How the right plants and the right stations for them were brought together is, as you remark, an interesting subject for enquiry; and can only be explained by attributing great efficiency to the wind, and suggest the use of such an infinite number of seeds as most plants are supplied with. Scarcely any subject connected with Botany is of deeper interest to me than the habits and preferences of plants as respects the soil and other conditions in which they grow.

Allow me to remain

Your sincere friend,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

August, 14th, 1874.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

We have two houses in this town, quiet, country places, where a few ~~city~~ people from the city come to spend a few weeks at this season of the year. One of them is on the Point of the Lake at the north end of the town (the opposite end from me) and the other is situated among a range of hills near the center of the town. We are [illegible] in Charlotte; and, though there are several little streams in town, none of them is of sufficient size to admit of its being called a village. The scenery of the vicinity is unsurpassed in the State. I think Mr. Farlow would find strolling in Charlotte a while a pleasant thing. And as for botanizing he

Dear
Sir

I [illegible] send, that I [illegible] Wednesday [illegible] to see [illegible] in [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] Sign.

[illegible] as I, [illegible], [illegible] the vicinity of Willingly, [illegible] the [illegible] 24th. I wish to mention a [illegible]. It is [illegible] proved first [illegible] at most [illegible] Sign and permit me to join him [illegible] in explaining it carefully, and [illegible], when [illegible] to [illegible] with me to Charlotte to spend a little while among our plants. To return to Boston from Willingly Lake, by way of this place would not be a very circuitous route; and it would give great diversity to his trip. I should not be able to spend [illegible] in that part of the State, and probably would not be able to reach the place which Mr. Fosten might name as the place, where I might join him or communicate with him, as soon as he; as I must stop a short time about Lake Memphremagog on my way there. And I shall wish to [illegible] to Lake [illegible] P[illegible] and [illegible] ways [illegible] of [illegible] at [illegible] accompany of Calypso. From rough experience as this involves I [illegible] Foster [illegible] not [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] only the hope that I may [illegible] [illegible] may receive some Some Service, which would be [illegible] to [illegible] my [illegible] [illegible] is asking [illegible] to allow me to accompany him in his [illegible]; Since with my [illegible] [illegible] stand in Botany, I cannot expect [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I wish submit this [illegible] to [illegible] your friend; [illegible] you to inform me as early as [illegible] [illegible] away [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] to [illegible] in [illegible] month, I should [illegible] a [illegible] appointment.

As regards [illegible] of our plants which you request, it will [illegible] give me pleasure to send you a copy.

Charlotte, N.C.

Aug. 29th, 1874.

My dear Mr. Davenport.

I have been detained at home a week longer than I expected to be when I wrote you last, and only [illegible] for the north today. I reach a [illegible] there & shall find Mr. Faxon there; [illegible] if he comes to Charlotte, next week I shall hardly fail to meet him; as I shall doubtless return home by the middle of the week.

My dear old swamp of which I once gave you a description, yields us in abundance another treasure, Pogonia simplex.

Be sure I shall not fail to find it as soon as I provide the requisite of one to woman I owe so much. Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

I enclose postagestamps of my address & stamp.

I [illegible] continued my search below. Then I [illegible] my visit to the lake [illegible] time. The wind was very high that day, and was [illegible] bringing down branches of the chief. I saw large pines of [illegible] that had been recently fallen, so I felt quite safe; and, when I had exhausted [illegible] in my mind and laborious search, I descended to the lake for dinner and a little rest before going on the mountain. Not far from where I found the Woodsia I found a clump of Pellaea gracilis.

The larger specimens of W. glabella I have pressed; and of the small ones I have put one into my fern garden and send you the other tied up in the exterior of a roll of moss, etc., from a swamp on the shore of Lake Memphremagog, Derby, Vt. amongst which you may possibly find something acceptable. In the same pkg I have put a tuft of Equisetum sylvaticum picked up for you in a wood in [illegible], Vt.

Charlotte Vermont
Sept. 8th, 1874.

My dear Friend:

I dropped you a few lines on the morning of my leaving for the north part of the State, and now can do no less than report to you concerning my visit to Willoughby Mountain.

I had been so long [illegible] from going, and so many cares at home required my attention, that I allowed myself but four or five days for my trip. And the greater part of that time business and friendship claimed, so that I had but one day to spend in visiting Willoughby Mountain. Thirty or forty miles ride by rail and carriage bring returning left me but four or five hours

for the mountain, where at least four or five days were required to make a thorough survey. Half of my allotted time I devoted to the prairie and the "mountain garden" at its base, and the other half I wasted in visiting the summit of the mountain, where I found nothing to repay my effort. The foot of the prairie wolf or coyote shows that the Shoro was a most interesting place to me, and I brought away a good number of plants I had never met before. Some plants were of course out of season. Lobelia Halmii was over, it seems and pretty. Dodecatheon Meadia I was so fortunate as to find still in flower in one instance. But you are, perhaps impatient to learn whether I found Woodsia glabella. I did find four plants of it (two mature and two small ones) after much clambering over the face of the cliff and prying into its obscure nooks. And I not been satisfied by the supposition that I should find enough of it on the summit

Wilkinsonia alpina is a magnificent species as you will see when you see it. Smith, the Pine woods flying squirrel, is a decided chipper in the morning, as you know, and with his mustard. I should write to Sebastian. The O. [illegible] one of the rare, and grand sound days, nothing marked position as to the morning and the rare plants. A summary of the day will be made in the journal. That is coming, and I have more since. I should report the partial failure of my mission to this Paradise. Today I was to open the wire on my flower [illegible] (Tree mosses) pure? The place is entirely deserted of people. Perhaps [illegible] the hotel will be opened next summer. , possibly. This [illegible] is designed for you.

One of the Specimens of Woodsia [illegible] which [illegible] - pressing is designed for you.

Yours faithfully,

E. S. [illegible]

[illegible] and I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I was delighted [illegible] day to receive from you the clumps of Calluna, you were so kind as to remember me with. It is really lovely thing. I had read with interest some accounts of it, so I [illegible] with joy.

I send you three living plants of the form I found on Shorthill yesterday, and should be glad to get Botrych. Sil. [illegible] that you may identify it. That [illegible] is really B. S. [illegible] I [illegible] confidence, since it seems so closely to agree in correspond with Mr. Eaton's description of that species in Gray's Manual. If you find it so, you may possibly wish to [illegible] these plants also; I have [illegible] you a good [illegible] of pressed specimens, some of them of large size, 6 in. high.

I shall not be surprised, if I do not [illegible] it [illegible] meet with it. I have gathered nearly every [illegible] of fern size which I have seen this summer, also, though not so closely as I [illegible] of rather immediate form.

I am making up a selection of plants for Dr. Hooker; and with I not feel already too deeply indebted to you, I would ask you to put me in [illegible] of [illegible] roots of Woodwardia angustifolium and Lycodium palmatum to add to it.

By referring to your letter in which you requested some ferns I am chagrined to find that the time at which you desired they might be sent, is considerably past. The Pteris [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] with the assurance.

[illegible] of Cistotum.

I send you among the Cypripedium [illegible] two, [illegible] I think you [illegible] it, with C. parviflorum.

[illegible] grateful for the many kindnesses [illegible] received from you,

I am, [illegible]

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vt. Oct. 2 1874.

Dear Mr. [illegible]

[illegible] willing, but I [illegible] Mr. Robbins [illegible] Woodwardia Virginica [illegible] right for the purpose of growing [illegible] find it, and cannot think it grows there now. Forty years have wrought great changes in that place; the marsh has been drained and is now quite restricted. I thought I would [illegible], so I would not need to trouble you [illegible] for me; and I was particularly [illegible] getting it for Dr Hooker, as it is not in the New catalogue of 1868. I am [illegible]

I am hoping to hear that this last package is safely [illegible].

[illegible] the numerous packages I have
given incoming [illegible] since I wrote [illegible] last.
Pinguicula Cauliciana is very [illegible]
[illegible] English amateur. I
[illegible] growing [illegible] gardens [illegible]
[illegible] and other [illegible] a cliff
on the Winowski River, where I go for
Pellaea atropurpurea.

I have found the "Devil's Lane" near
[illegible] (see Oakes' Catalogue) and have
got for you a little of Pellaea gracilis, roots
and pressed fronds. I believe it is very rare
in [illegible].

Shortly after I wrote you last I found
Aspid. cristatum, var. Clintonianum, as you
said you thought I might do. It was in
[illegible]; and since I find it
common enough in all our swamps, though
[illegible] to [illegible] it [illegible], as [illegible] I
[illegible] so.

[illegible] I [illegible]; to you may it
be always lucky [illegible]
[illegible], stuck in [illegible] by, I [illegible]
[illegible].

[illegible] ago I [illegible] a specimen of
Aspl. angustifolium to Prof. Gray. I [illegible]
[illegible] for the suggestion. [illegible]
kindness Mr. J. Warner [illegible] of [illegible] has
[illegible] write me requesting a few specimens
of Ph. filices. He offers some very desirable
species in exchange, and was [illegible] me a
friend of Aspid. fragrans. I wish to enquire
[illegible] am acquainted with him.

I am making up this fall your large
collection of plants, besides other [illegible],
and this work, added to the ordinary and
extraordinary cares of my business, as you
[illegible], makes me very busy. It will soon be
[illegible]; and I look forward with much

H

[illegible] 96 [illegible] 6th.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

H

Dr. Hooker thus alludes to his recent loss: — "I am the most miserable of family afflictions, the death of my wife, having most suddenly overtaken me — without warning and during a very few hours absence from my house."

J.D.H."

P.S.

Dr. Hooker writes:— "I regret to say that we have no duplicate of Bot. Barrah, Milde, so I send you tracings of two extreme forms: it is either a fat species, or rather a mere form of B. Lunaria."

I enclose the sketches Dr. Hooker was so kind as to make.

I also show you (please return) the ~~[illegible]~~ catalogue of Am. Ferns which I sent to Kew and which ~~[illegible]~~ Dr. Hooker and Mr. Baker have looked over, marking such species as they desire. They propose to help us to herbarium specimens of Ferns and other plants if we want them. Would you like to help make up this collection (safe host by advice and hints) and share in the returns?

C.G.P.

[redacted]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Dunnigan,

[illegible]

[illegible] South and [illegible] winter [illegible] spring. It [illegible] [illegible] sickness and [illegible], and the [illegible] of spring [illegible] [illegible] Snow you must [illegible] [illegible] in anticipation [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] the warm [illegible] of spring [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] courage

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] a good looking [illegible]

[illegible] You know he is a Shoemaker. He does [illegible] work in the [illegible] week nowadays, though he did for many years. [illegible] in much to [illegible] in middle life. [illegible] without [illegible] in [illegible] New York physician. [illegible] had his [illegible] for [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] is compounding [illegible]

[illegible]

unless [illegible]

[illegible] Prof. [illegible] [illegible]. But they looked the [illegible] Frost.

[illegible] of your [illegible]

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

I was glad to hear of Mr. Davis's [illegible]
[illegible]. I had [illegible] seeing him, and
a good deal [illegible] if [illegible]
[illegible]. As [illegible] is [illegible] his [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] Transport [illegible] the [illegible] of 1870. So I have
[illegible] I may state
in my [illegible] of the Press, [illegible]
[illegible] with [illegible]
[illegible] I [illegible] with him
[illegible], and I [illegible] the terms of
[illegible]. If he will send us,
as a [illegible], small pkgs of such species as
it is [illegible] New, for a moderate
[illegible], I will engage to [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] I [illegible] this matter [illegible]?

Find you [illegible] specimens of Ferns. Please name
the species [illegible] and the [illegible] of specimens.

Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, [illegible]

[illegible] 1872, [illegible].

Mr. [illegible] Davis:

[illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] is upon the [illegible]
[illegible] Lately
[illegible] respite
from [illegible] to [illegible]
much [illegible]. But his friends are
[illegible], [illegible]
[illegible].

[illegible] of June 20th [illegible]
[illegible], as [illegible] the [illegible]
visits. I was [illegible] (Vermont) [illegible]
of [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
of Ferns to the Acad. Sci. [illegible] of the
distinguished [illegible] [illegible]. But I
[illegible], I [illegible] a little
[illegible] this matter of a

[illegible] of Iris. Society [illegible] [illegible] without the addition of [illegible] [illegible] hundred, and there is not [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] I would now rest it.

I [illegible] with Mr. [illegible] [illegible] actual in American [illegible] [illegible] of a magnificent [illegible]. [illegible] for the Society to [illegible] in the matter, perhaps by [illegible] [illegible] giving you the [illegible], [illegible] for [illegible], and then [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] and friends. [illegible] for [illegible] of the [illegible] of its members I [illegible] say that there are certain [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] permission; and it would give me [illegible] pleasure to aid in [illegible] work. Now that an herbarium is [illegible], if interest in it is kept [illegible] by the Society, and the work [illegible] as possibly by [illegible] annual appropriations, it must grow.

For [illegible], and it would not be possible for me to visit Vernon this [illegible] year [illegible] many pleasant [illegible] [illegible] places I [illegible], and I [illegible] to [illegible] a glance [illegible] the [illegible]. There are many [illegible] which I would [illegible] to discuss with you. For [illegible] I may, I [illegible] [illegible] you by giving you a [illegible] of Sandusky School Flora, Lycopodium, etc., some 80 species, which I [illegible] purchased this summer.

I have [illegible] a [illegible] of Abbott's Obelisk, a [illegible] for Cyrus with [illegible] [illegible], if this [illegible] as well as one of Brunner [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I have [illegible] [illegible] the fields bewildering, so closely have I applied myself to my hybridizing, chiefly of lilies, [illegible], and [illegible]. My lilies, as my [illegible] approaches [illegible], afford me much entertainment.

P.S.

Many of my [illegible] friends, [illegible] etc., etc. are coming [illegible], and, should I [illegible], should I [illegible] care for them? Would it be [illegible]? [illegible] but it may be that I [illegible] at home at that time.

C. G. F.

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[illegible], [illegible],

August, 10, [illegible]

[illegible] dear Friend,

[illegible] present [illegible] my [illegible] afternoon, [illegible] if [illegible] and [illegible] Besides [illegible] which [illegible], I am [illegible] by the [illegible] your heart, and [illegible] of [illegible]. Then, and, I [illegible] with the promise of [illegible] which [illegible] and of opportunities [illegible] some [illegible].

I am [illegible] you [illegible]

[illegible] influence, and [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] drive.

I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] If I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Surely you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] your [illegible] assurances, [illegible] hardly have any longer to send you anything I may wish exhibited. This was the first year of fruiting of my hybrid raspberries, and, when I conceived the wish to show them, they should have already been in Boston. They must now wait till next year. [illegible] other things I hope to [illegible] this year and many more in succeeding years. Does the Society encourage no offerings to [illegible]? [illegible] engage much of my attention.

The [illegible] you [illegible] should I visit [illegible] [illegible] strong [illegible] that [illegible] really vain of seeing you this [illegible], if I can get [illegible] [illegible] for a few days. My resolution was [illegible] up on [illegible] last.

Please [illegible] the Gardeners' Chronicle (Aug. 7 in the [illegible] Library) for some account of [illegible] [illegible] for which Kew Gardens are [illegible] to you I suppose.

Our dear Mrs Piper is indeed home again from her [illegible] weeks visit to Connecticut, and her [illegible] health is improved this summer; so the [illegible] day which [illegible] [illegible] friend was upon her home is postponed [illegible] while [illegible], for [illegible] friends are [illegible] [illegible].

Visited "Sharpshin Point" [illegible] day, and found [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you.

Faithfully yours, [illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont.
Sept., 18th, 1875.

My Dear Mr. [illegible]

Relying [illegible] guarantee, [illegible] commencing your [illegible], I [illegible] to send to you [illegible] the Annual Exhibition the articles which I [illegible] to show.

I have allotted to [illegible] Hall, 2 [illegible] boxes containing 1 peck each of 1 [illegible] varieties of potatoes [illegible] exhibition, and [illegible] premiums of 1 [illegible] to be [illegible] by [illegible]; and a [illegible] box of Concord Grapes, by [illegible] [illegible] exhibition.

I am compelled to [illegible] this form of [illegible] because I find it impossible to reach Boston [illegible] Tuesday or Wednesday

[illegible] . I [illegible] pleasure
[illegible] you; [illegible] .
you; and with [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] which I [illegible]
[illegible] his [illegible]

I [illegible] contains
[illegible] of [illegible], which [illegible]
[illegible]

Hard [illegible] of [illegible] but [illegible] it
[illegible] [illegible] of
[illegible]

[illegible] Truly,
W. G. Pringle.

P. S. Thanks for Typha angustifolia. I had [illegible] got home, however, before I found the species in a rail-road ditch; near it grew the other species, and between or among them intermediate forms.

[illegible], [illegible]

[illegible] 1907

My Dear Mr. Davenport:

[illegible]

I went at once [illegible], and stayed as I [illegible]. The next morning I [illegible] from there [illegible] for home, my arms full of plant-treasures, the [illegible] to pressing [illegible], my mind full of delightful memories [illegible] the events of the last [illegible] days, and my heart full of gratitude [illegible] friend, who was so [illegible] cost to himself, as I could not but [illegible], [illegible] on my [illegible] pleasures.

Does the [illegible] I have maintained [illegible] my return, imply this last? If so, not I did not [illegible] longer visit you, for business required my [illegible] at home, as I found, [illegible] very long since then I have been intensely occupied. But on no day, as I suppose, have I [illegible]

[illegible] as [illegible] your very [illegible] the [illegible] of your [illegible] society I [illegible] you [illegible] me. I thought [illegible] taking leave of you, before leaving you, to promise that, if the times were harder than [illegible] [illegible] the coming winter, you would let me know of it. And, now, I [illegible] [illegible] nothing less.

I want to say much more, but I am afraid I may offend your delicacy of feeling. While in Burlington yesterday, I found opportunity to call on Prof. Perkins, as I had not done in nearly two years. Did I tell you that he is a young man. He is a pleasant man, enthusiastic in his line of [illegible]; and I am sure we [illegible] be good friends after this and work well together upon the [illegible] of Vermont.

I do not yet receive any plants from Dr. [illegible]; [illegible] [illegible] before long and [illegible] what I can. I [illegible] also [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to your [illegible]. [illegible] I endeavored [illegible] [illegible] write the names of plants you [illegible] [illegible], it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] everything which would be [illegible] to you. And if you would be so kind as to [illegible] of such things as you think Mr. [illegible] would be pleased with, I would be glad; [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Not only are Mansfield and Camel's Hump, which are in view from my window as I write, white with snow, but the [illegible] only five miles away [illegible]. Winter will soon be upon [illegible] [illegible] mountain, but it will not bring the rest which I need [illegible] the leisure for study which I desire. Our [illegible] against the other enemy is [illegible] campaign.

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

Lausanne, Germany,

Dec. 4th, 189[illegible]

My dear Friend,

Mrs. [illegible] Dear Sir,

[illegible] your [illegible] meetings as well as your long [illegible] letter, came safely to hand. Everything deeply appreciated. I [illegible] and trained [illegible] more truth than you [illegible]. I [illegible] some things which I hope it may apply to in [illegible] days. Did I not have Apollos, Cephas and C. Smith.

[illegible] can not imagine [illegible] I am trying to realize all my cares and [illegible] for [illegible] of [illegible] meetings in full [illegible] to [illegible] before I am ready to come home! [illegible] whenever I return for a day or [illegible]. Maybe Feb. you may receive a letter from me. Yours as ever,

C. G. P[illegible].

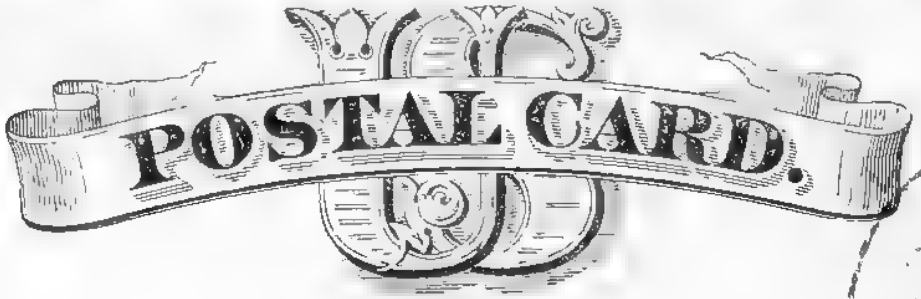
[illegible]

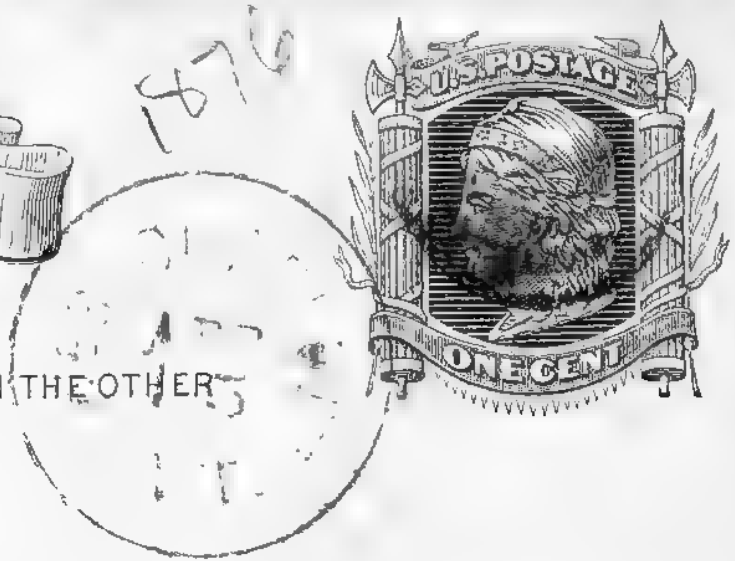
[illegible] 18[illegible], 8/6

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]





WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont.

May 20th, 1896.

My Dear Friend:

Calypso. I hope you can keep it down for the next meeting of the Club. See, if you think it would wait while I do so. I am [illegible] and [illegible], meaning to keep [illegible] with me [illegible] and [illegible] up 4:00 [illegible] this afternoon. I [illegible] [illegible] seem to me [illegible] very, most of children [illegible] just [illegible] where it is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

E. S. Ziegler.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr. Geo. E. Bampson
8 Harrison Place,
Boston.

Charlotte, Vermont,
July [illegible], 876.

My Dear [illegible],

I am [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] we are coming to [illegible] my specimens [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the 20 to [illegible] 25 to [illegible] of this month [illegible] with the 36 [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] and the same number of W. [illegible]. I am [illegible] that [illegible] specimens will [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] if you can [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], I will [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible], I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by you in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] W. [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Yours truly,

[illegible] Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. L. Barnes
8 Milton Place,
Boston.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr. Geo. L. Thompson,
5 Hamilton Place,
Boston.

Dear Mr. D[illegible]?

[illegible] tell me the

in Divinity? [illegible]

[illegible] Rector of

[illegible] of this [illegible]

[illegible] ? Do [illegible]

[illegible] .

[illegible]

[illegible]

Charlottesville, Virginia

[illegible] 1876.

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WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr. [illegible] E. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] I [illegible] as I
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible], without [illegible]
[illegible] and under [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] little [illegible], and [illegible]
[illegible] I [illegible] miserable.

I [illegible] the time
I [illegible].

Aspidium [illegible]
[illegible] the original station of P[illegible] Aug.
24, '76 [illegible] Woodsia [illegible],
and Cyst. viridis, ditto, ditto. Also [illegible]
of my [illegible]. Solidago [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible], [illegible] 19 '76. [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] and Solidago
[illegible], [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] Aug. 10 '76
Aspid. fragrans Mt. M. June 15 & Aug. 10.

[illegible] a [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] you, [illegible]

I [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible]
and which I [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] in the dark [illegible]
in company with [illegible]
I [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] close [illegible]
[illegible]
and [illegible] more than [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible], ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] single, [illegible]
[illegible] blood, [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]. I [illegible]
a [illegible] of [illegible].

[illegible] should [illegible]
dropped, it [illegible]. How you did
[illegible] of your inability to [illegible]
it? Would it not be better if you were
a little freer with your friends?

Charlotte, Vermont, May 30 [illegible]

My Dear Friend: It was very [illegible] to have again a kind letter from you, and a relief to learn that you [illegible] me so [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] is [illegible]. I have often wondered when the [illegible] up my farm, the [illegible] [illegible] them, the [illegible] them and the winter was [illegible], whenever we [illegible] with you. I have [illegible] I prefer to enjoy the things [illegible] wild. I [illegible] your [illegible]. Mr. [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] class.

I wish with [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] on farm. I [illegible] copy of the 3d Report 14. for Mr. [illegible]; the [illegible] [illegible] every [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] Pringle.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8 Hamilton, Place,
Boston,

[illegible] Christmas, and [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible].

I have just returned from the
Mr. Mansfield recital; the Hawkins
were coming, not and I thought
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
will [illegible], [illegible], I hope
[illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

C. H. Bird.

Cambridge, Massachusetts
June, 1893.

My Dear Mr. Thompson

Here, on a very cold
[illegible] my return from Baltimore
being [illegible], [illegible] it would
[illegible] to London, simply [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]
& [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] distracted [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] regarded as a
[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] of a
[illegible], I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
simply, this time with some [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in this [illegible]
in company with Christopher,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] nothing [illegible] for them, as the [illegible] company I [illegible] my attention then.

I [illegible] B. [illegible] them. I [illegible] you [illegible] that my [illegible] B. [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] expect my sending them a [illegible] as [illegible] varying in the shape [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible].

I [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 2 [illegible]; [illegible] interesting as showing how the spider [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] the [illegible] in the [illegible].

I [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] of [illegible]?

I [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] in my [illegible], [illegible] the beginning of the [illegible], so I [illegible]; I [illegible].

C. L. [illegible].

I [illegible] a [illegible] of [illegible] England; I [illegible], [illegible]. [illegible] price? [illegible] is the [illegible] of [illegible]; [illegible] is [illegible] demand for the species.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible], 1899.

My Dear Mr. D[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

I [illegible]

[illegible]

I [illegible]

[illegible]

I am glad you will [illegible]

[illegible]

I [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] any [illegible]

[illegible] for me.

Yours Sincerely, [illegible]

attracts us; we would like to go up as far as Lake St. John; but there is a limit to our time, and there is a limit to human strength; have made of not this we can accomplish remains to be tested. I earnestly hope I will be spared the telling of another tale of mortifying defeat.

Think of other forms we should find on the cliffs after Sagueney, and believe me

Your faithful friend,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
April, 20, 1899.

My Dear Friend;

Your kind letter of Jan. 12th, which elicited for you fresh sympathy on account of your new sorrow, has too long lain unanswered on my table, while I have been straining every nerve to discharge my duties toward my correspondents, and accomplish the large amount of herbarium-work that falls upon my hands. Since winter began, I have worked almost incessantly for some fifteen hours a day, until I feel so tired. Spring has now at last come, and invalids are out into the fields again, but I obey reluctantly, when I need two months more to put up the plants already on hand.

accept my thanks for a copy of your Herb. Cat., and my congratulations upon your success. I rejoice in all your achievements, and am simply thankful that you can find in botany so much relief from toil and grief. I reflect how much pleasure you are giving others also; and sincerely hope you may go on in the way of fame and usefulness, and your path may yet be brighter and free from trouble.

Last fall I began a correspondence with Chas. Jas. Sprague of your city and the collecting and studying of lichens under his care; and though not the present season lichens are to be a special object of search with me. As opportunity offers I search over the old stone walls, fences, etc., in this vicinity with great interest; and feel sure it is early to see U. S. [illegible] for alpine species. Mr. C. C. Frost was elevated enough to carry me to future the study of all classes of plants, and was also so in hand down, so near the ground again and gone; but I greatly enjoy finding fresh interest in my old haunts, which had become familiar and tame.

You will let me talk on about myself and tell you how I purpose cruising again into Lower Canada this summer. I expect my friend Prof. E. Brainard to accompany me. Though we wish to go through with an exploration after St. Francis River of northern Maine and go down the cross-country towards Saguenay as far as practicable, it is the Saguenay with its wonderful cliffs that most

Charlotte, V.C.

Jan., 25, 1880.

My Dear Mr. Darnaby:

Since the receipt of your New Year's greeting I have been struggling through the distribution of my plants, and have just rounded you, having put up the Aquilinas fragrans and Wardia superbissima. (of this last I put only two, which I reserved, as you do not care about it.) ~~[illegible]~~ Each one of my friends of Mr. Darnaby, [illegible], I show your letter.

It is the same story with me this winter, - great pressure of work. I have a great deal of work on my hands now, that cannot be any of my Cereus specialties; and I have herself lost the unwriting of my plants.

Hoping your health is better, and that all your world ever you, I am yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

all this country is wonderful to me; and despite the drawbacks to comfort and the hardships of my work, I enjoy myself pretty. In Arizona I have nothing to fear from Indians.

Please remember me to my kind friends the Farrons and Mr. Robinson; it is in my heart to write them, but in my race with this rich and swiftly changing flora, I can hardly write a letter.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Tucson, Arizona.

April 26, 1881.

My Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have not forgotten your kind interest in my journey nor my promise to send you specimens of the ferns which I met with. Then I send in a little parcel by the same mail with this. I number them, and will thank you to give me their names; some of them I have determined to my satisfaction; the remainder I have not had time to study at all; and they are such as I have never seen before. You may label them all "Santa Catalina Mts., Arizona, April, 1881."

It is three weeks today since I reached Arizona, and this city; and the most of this time I have spent about the Sta. Catalina Mts. I found vegetation

as advanced on my arrival here April 5th, as it is with us of the middle of June; so you may believe I have been kept desperately busy trying to secure everything. And I have succeeded well, for I have already more than 100 species for my collection, — my aim, I mean, — not counting a large number of miscellaneous plants, phanerogams and cryptogams.

Shortly I propose starting for the Santa Rita Mts., and the Sonoita Valley. Mr. & Mrs. Lemmon are in this vicinity, but we have not yet succeeded in meeting. These regions are a vast field for botanical exploration; no one man can examine thoroughly more than a corner of one of these territories in a single season.

I am pretty ~~small~~ proud of work having bought a two horse team and covered wagon and hired besides the assistant brought with me from home a man acquainted with the country and with the Mexican dialect, to drive as driver, cook, etc. He keeps the camp, while my assistant and I range the mountains and gather in the plants, and he does the most of drying of the plants.

This season is an unusually dry one even for arid Arizona; for some time I found the ferns shriveled almost past recognition. A few showers occurred last week, however, and then they unrolled; I am not collecting them largely as yet, because I think I can get better specimens after the July showers begin, and the young fronds come to maturity.

I have rooms here in Tucson for stores, etc., and expect to make this my headquarters for some time to come. It is a strange mud-walled city of 10,000 inhabitants, Americans, Mexicans, Indians, Chinese, Africans, Europeans, etc.

could cover much more ground, and he was all the while talking about my getting new species in advance of him, and mourning over it, envious of my strength, my outfit, opportunities, etc. Some things I shared with him and he begged two specimens of a number of such things as he had not found. On returns he gave me but a single specimen that was acceptable; he forced upon me some specimens of a common plant, half ripened fruit, which I threw away and have since replaced with a full complement of mature specimens. Many plants of my large collection of which I made 25 or more as fine specimens as possible, he also got (sometimes mere scraps, sometimes good specimens) this year for the first time, whether earlier than I cannot always be told, for he does not date anything; now all these (perhaps even the specimens he drew from me) I am sure he is sending off to Mr. Watson, and others in order to get them named, if new,

Tucson, Arizona.

June 19th, 1881.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

You say that you "have a characteristic letter from Lemmon". I will show to you other characteristics of him which his writing to you, as he does, reveals to me. I am a little aggrieved by his conduct, but before this I did not think of rehearsing to you my complaints, as I will now do.

Lemmon's ruling passion is a crazy desire to find new species and get them named after himself or his friends. Last year he came into the comparatively new field of Mts. Catalina &c. and found several new species, three of which were named after him. He wanted to

keep the field to himself until he could fully explore it; and, when he found me here this spring, he was very jealous of me. I was in the South canons of the mountains, where he botanized last year; so he and his wife soon went around to the north side. Where they came in from there, we met in Tucson. They had R.R. passes, little else, — little money; I had a team and a good bank account. They tried to saddle themselves upon me, but I felt cautious; I wished to treat them well, however, and took them to the Sta. Catalinas once or twice. We were together, when he got this Wooldia for and. We were following up a cañon; at one time I was considerably in the lead; I came to a deep and shady gorge which contained a waterfall; in a crevice of one of its damp walls I found a fern I had never seen growing (Aspidi^m pectinatum;) I was bending over it, when Lemmon entered the dell; his manner on my announcement of strange ferns became excited, and he crowded hastily past me and began plucking from the wall all the specimens of this Woodsia he could find, putting them up before me (as it was windy, I gave him a little assistance,) and not allowing me to get a single frond; when he was done with this species, he struck his pick (he always carried a light pickaxe,) into the row of A. patens from which I had got but a single specimen (rootlet,) and began appropriating the roots for his trade, without asking me (<u>quite afterward</u>) if I had all I wanted. I was pained not so much at the loss of a just share of the ferns, as at the exhibition of selfishness in one whom I had thought despite some eccentricities a pleasant botanizing companion.

All the rest turned out like this in the end. I was stronger than he, and

condition of vegetation is most wretched.

I am assured that we may expect rain after a few weeks, which will revive everything. The past few days I have been about the south side of the Isle. Catalinos only to find that they had joined with the heat a new terror. The cañons were heated like a furnace and many all their plants were withered; their growth only came fully to the surface here and there, and the water was so bad as to make us sick. You can not conceive how dreadful such a state of things.

You ask if Mrs. Lemmon is really very small. She is about the average height of women. A very fit mate for Lemmon, whom she calls "Lemmonia", while he always addresses her as "Amabilis", which means, as he explained to my mam, "worthy of being loved."

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Respecting I can supply such specimens. He magnanimously told me of one species, which he thought new, that I was entitled to the credit of its discovery, since no one else had found it. Since his return to Oakland, he has sent a letter to a Boston paper matting a spread over his discoveries in this country in which he carefully avoids the slightest allusion to another botanist in this field, and mentions certain things found by me and not seen by him at all in a manner to lead one to think it was himself who saw them.

In short, though I was put on my guard by the letter of Mr. Wright which you kindly let me read, I was disappointed in Lemmon and quite disgusted over his behavior. After the trip to which I have alluded, I decided it would not be convenient to carry him and his wife about further and on longer trips; and I

think they preferred it work at a distance from me. Don't infer that we had any words when together, for we separated on most friendly terms, and they said much to say in my praise, I have been told.

More about the Woodbin; Lemmon told me that he got it last year on Mt. Graham N.E. of here and what Eaton said about it. My talking to him much of your ability among ferns and telling him of you having named a n. sp. for Parish (with whom he is not on good terms and our whole news he was much excited,) was the occasion of his sending it to you; he made both (I wonder if he did not send it before leaving here,) to do so, because he feared I might do the same, and your acumen and friendship for me might make it. W. Pringle, Dunnigan. This fern you will have received from me also, on this; for I found it in another cañon which I explored alone the day following the one on which Lemmon got it, Lemmon declaring when I left camp at sunrise, that he could not climb the mountains that day. Were it not for the structural likeness to W. obtusa or Argana, which your authorities so much agree upon, I should, judging chiefly from its habits, think it quite a different species from either. It grows in wet shady nooks, very unlike the habitat of W. obtusa in Vermont; but then the climate here is so different from that of Vermont; even Pellaea atropurpurea here has to take to the margin of brooks for moisture enough to live on.

I would be glad to get for you the ferns you mention but now all ferns not growing in mountain brooks are so shrivelled up, almost beyond recognition that I don't want to molest them. This is the third year of severe drought, and the

Portland, Oregon.
Nov., 30th, 1881.

Dear Mr. Damoyeau

Your postcard of Oct., 3rd to care of Mr. Grunn was forwarded me here by post Sr. Perry. I have all along turned the Indian trouble in Arizona fully expected that I was supply and far away from there; for I wish I could be in the mountains estimating there in lieu.

When Lt. Gen. Sargent came into this Territory, he appointed me to [illegible] for a few months, that I was able to spare but little time for writing; and, thus, to I have collected a good supply of [illegible] the from that have come in any way. I have not of course found anything in

write you in [illegible] to [illegible] interest.
I may mention that, while in N. Cal.,
I [illegible] many specimens of Aspidium Mohrioides and in this state I have made
large [illegible] of Polypodium Scouleri,
and many of [illegible] species.

I have been nearly three months in
Oregon and Washington, but hope to be home
in a few days for San Francisco, and then
go directly home for a few weeks at least.
Mr. Sargent will [illegible] me [illegible]
[illegible] seasons, after which I should expect to
to finish the [illegible] by collecting in some
part of [illegible]. Though it may be some
time ere they can be distributed, I find
[illegible] in laying up great treasures of
plants as [illegible]. For [illegible] winter I have
about 150 species, and my Oregon collection,
[illegible] of additional species, will fill a press
[illegible], so [illegible] swelled up, as I am.

Next the hearts of my placemen here
is the getting acquainted with the botanists
of this region, to their [illegible] of me, but
I may say that I find [illegible] quite [illegible] in
[illegible] that you have of them for, I
appreciate [illegible]. Last Sunday I have
[illegible] pleasantly in the [illegible] of [illegible],
some of the younger but more promising
botanists. I have [illegible] to send to you
anything strange to them. Over up [illegible]
Mr. L. F. Henderson, Portland, Oregon,
Cal., Esq.; and, as I suppose his [illegible]
in the Bot. Directories, I will beg you to
get it inserted as above in Mr. Greene's
issue. Mr. H. is a [illegible] in this city,
[illegible] any [illegible]; will probably
work up to summer in the Cascade
mountains, which field of [illegible].

Now I should like to see you and
the Mutt. Sages; it is possible that I
should visit Boston, if I have time this
winter. [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont
Dec. 21, 1881.

My Dear Friend:

Home from my [illegible] voyage to the Pacific Slope; only for a few days [illegible] Mrs. C. [illegible] [illegible] again. I think I made [illegible] from Portland, Oregon, Saturday Nov. 29. Stopped one day in San Francisco, but saw no [illegible] but Dr. Kellogg, [illegible] at Battle Creek with Dr. Perry and the Parish Brothers. They are fine men. Some things still in flower there and the weather delightful. Stopped a day in Tucson; there had been a frost on the low lands; on the hills found a Lycium in fl. Frost in those regions not without up. Spent a day at the Petrified Forest. Hope to see Mrs. [illegible] and you.

Faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. E. Dampert,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Feb. 5, 1882.

Dear Mr. Dempsey

I am just enjoying a pleasant letter of the 3rd. I did think that in [illegible] the chief of Cook Lake was about me expiring something, or, sage-brush, [illegible] like all the plants growing in rocky soil [illegible] summits of the mountains.

The springs of the Sacramento are a, indeed, [illegible]. I do [illegible] to the [illegible] of the Southern [illegible] I did not go to Cale Summer, and will keep my eyes [illegible]. Rain [illegible] S. Cal. will, I think, [illegible] the [illegible] of Dr. Parke.

There is much [illegible] in being [illegible] of the impossible. [illegible] such as [illegible] they will serve as a warning [illegible] of [illegible] mistakes might [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] with [illegible]

P. S. [illegible]

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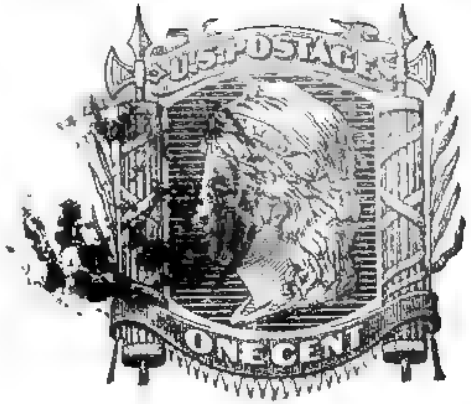

Mr. Geo. E. Dampier,
8 Hamilton Place
Bos[illegible]
Mass.

San Diego, Cal.

April 29, 1861.

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
6 Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

by doctors is complicated and far from a certain is uncertain.

You may remember my impatience to get into the Sierra Mts. I took to think of Lemmon as something there not through the season. But there are [illegible] regions as promising in that southwestern world.

I don't know when I shall go in on you, for I have no errand to Boston!

May I trouble you again to hand to Mr. Bowen a parcel of [illegible]? I really don't know whether it is sufficient to address it merely "Boston", and I don't want to risk losing these valuable specimens.

Hoping you will be able with to think kindly of me, perhaps to speak of me appropriately upon occasion, I remain as ever,

Yours faithfully, E. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
Nov., 13, 1882.

My Dear Friend:

I am home again and sooner by a month or two than I expected, when I wrote you last from S. J. Thanks to Mr. Sargent's outrageous treatment.

Ever since I declined last spring to continue there as two years longer in his service and engage on the N. Pac. Survey, I have been unable to please him. All the season he has predicted me on to an early completion of the Museum work, demonstrating impossibilities of me. He wished me to suspend in a great measure (or entirely so) my own collecting, but offered no better terms to com-

pensate me. Though I felt [illegible] obligations to my [illegible] bers equal to that to the Museum, for I had been made by the terms of my engagement with Mr. Sargent to look to them for half my wages, I did this to a great extent, and suspended the Museum work for my own but 33 days in the entire season. Yet I was [illegible] with [illegible] fulness, in comfort, and was, as I understand it, with discharge; so that a good friend of yours and mine thought an I ought. J. J. I would be justified in resigning.

But the desire to carry through to the end what I had undertaken, held me to the work. But, when I reached Tucson and found my expected funds withheld, it cannot surprise, to maintain my self-respect, that I should relinquish my resignation and start for home directly.

I recollect saying to Mr. Robinson a year ago (perhaps two years ago,) that I should endeavor to please Mr. S.; but that he should never make me his tool. I expect him to be terribly angry with me, to give me a bad name; but I can give figures to vindicate myself; and, happily, there are not a few in the West who are able to satisfy what my service has been. I have had the sympathy of them all the season.

So, My Dear Friend, this year we parted without my having done much for you or your favorite friends. But let us hope that the future will more than compensate for our losses of this season, when I shall travel at my own expense with unhampered

to be telegraphed and wrote to Prescott and San Francisco to get me to keep me in the work, and hurried on funds.

Cabinet [illegible] [illegible] have all the [illegible] sympathized with me, and now [illegible] are pleased to [illegible] has "worked up the wrong passenger." Parry [illegible] I've [illegible] kinder [illegible] of the [illegible] nature of my relations [illegible] "[illegible]; and the former employ [illegible] strongest language to express his opinion of the treatment I had to suffer.

Please read the enclosed [illegible] I don't know whether this Jurbite is still at Livermore Falls. I am so glad to have her plant from you, and hope she can supply others.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont,
Nov., 23, 1882.

My Dear Mr. Davenport:

I thank you for your generous expression of confidence in my integrity. My trouble with Mr. Sargent makes but a short and simple story, as you will see, when I can tell it to you complete. He wanted to accomplish his ends without regard to my interests guaranteed to me in our agreement, and when I tried to discharge in some measure my duty to my patron as well as that to him, he thought to bully me into servility. He withheld funds. Then I resigned my telegraphs and started building. He was surprised, and saw he had made a mistake, and

Charlotte, Vermont.

Dec., 9, 1882.

Dear Mr. Sampson.

Thanks for the rare fern. Opla. Californica came to me from Dr. Gerber. I believe that specimens of B. matricariaefolium can yet be found in N. Y. fa be enough to come pretty near B. boreale.

Here of the species in Eaton's Check List I lack but 13;—

Botta. nana
Chil. lanosa
argentea
Pellaea atropurpurea
ovata
ternifolia
flexuosa
Pteris aquilina
Adiantum trichomanes
Asplenium ebeneum
Phegopteris calcarea
Aspidium fragrans
Anemia phyllitidis

Seifers of Pellaea and Pteris are in a plastic and brittle condition after drying, that I have had hardly a fair specimen with which to work. Thanks. I have not seen Thelypteris.

but as I have Gray's Manual, Texas & Mex. plants and expect Curtiss' of 1882, some of these will soon come to me, I am confident.

Yours truly, E. G. Rand.

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Mr. Geo. L. Davenport,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, V.T., 20, Jan., 1883.

My Dear Friend; Your letter of Dec. 6th and 18th fell of another that is truly my pretty come while I am in the midst of my distribution 22 sets of Vos opera and many large selections, with many to answer to make room for for his own name. But I am getting ready to come, then write of something etc. I want to get my husband a perfect order before I leave it again. Have patience with me, I wonder I am half dead so that I shall get for you those Aeolian forms and others. I want to get it wherever I place, wherever I can; and with the exception patronage I was my, I feel my cherished purpose may be realized. I have in view where the Sequoia has in mind (I have nothing of it) I have in mind Dr. Twing's wish to keep clear of anything wilderness. Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. L. Dampier,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Tucson, Arizona.
24. May, 1883.

Dear Mr. Thompson:

That our earnest wishes that some fern might bear together our two names, emite as its discoverer and yours as its author, have been realized, gives me deep joy. And I am grateful to you for the part you have borne in the matter. I knew of your belief that I should find an undescribed species, but I dared not hope that it might be done within the limits of the U.S.

Its habitat is, — Base of rocks in the Sierra Tucson, a low range of dry mountains, five to ten miles west from

Tucson, where Iowa bears a greater resemblance to Texas of the deserts and desert hills about the lower Colorado and in south-eastern Iowa, than to that of the Sierra Madre Mts. On these hills the fern is abundant. When I first came upon it there were but few specimens that were not shrivelled up by drought. I got 12 to 20 poor little clumps. On the 16th inst. a rain fell over this region, a rare occurrence in May, and on the second day thereafter I went out to the hills to gather specimens for my distribution. I found the fronds unbroken and green in some places, and by great pains secured some 25 satisfactory specimens. This was before I had heard from you that it might be new, certain I was new to our territory, or I am sure I should have toiled and clambered widely to get more, though suffering thirst and exhaustion.

Two days ago, after receiving your letter of the 13th, I walked out again five miles over hills and mesas covered with sharp rocks, the thermometer indicating 100° in the shade, the rocks so heated as to burn my hand; but I found not a frond that was not withered up again. I only could get a quantity of roots which I propose to take home and plant in the hope of getting more specimens from them.

I believe I shall go home for a while. Rusby has arrived at Prescott and urges me to join him. I see objections. Business at home suffers; my assistant is ill and should be taken home. The success of Jack Crook's expedition is doubtful, his very safety in doubt. I am warned to keep out of the Southeastern mountains; but they must be like the Sta. Catalinas, — vegetation dormant. Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
5 June, 1883.

My Dear Friend:

Bright-hot school! Soft-and odorous air for trimming lawns, and soft green sward for feet and flinty rocky cool springs and brook and pail to feed them for dry "sandwiches." A month or two - it's hybridizing. Then I am bound to return. Dr. Parry says Lemmon may go to Ga. in Aug. and may not, as he is fickle. My last was Ch. Eaton, was it not? Anything. Prings.

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Mr. Geo. E. Sawyer,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
17, June, 1883.

My Dear Mr. Davenport.

Your letter of the 10th was duly received as well as your supplement and check list, for which I am really grateful; and last evening came the fern plate, kindly and thoughtfully mounted in your own way, which I shall cherish as a precious keepsake.

My advertisements in our botanical journals are of little avail; a very few small orders for selections may have been obtained in this way; but I have never sold a set, I think, thereby. I did not suppose but you got many orders, however.

I am interested and pleased to hear of the new fungus Chaetanthus Pringlei.

You must have more specimens of the plant, and I send them; Cater Shope to have more for you, and better expanded specimens.

I am anxious about your health and about your very life. Can't you come to Vermont for a change and rest? Is it not possible for you to gratify my wish, for ten years cherished, that I might have you here to show you the homes of our rarer ferns?

I am too tired today to write much, for I am toiling on the farm, trying to repair some of the neglect incident upon my absence during the two past seasons.

Yours faithfully,

Cyrus G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vt., 15th Aug., 1893

Dear Mr. Sanborn,

Dr. Parry was sick with a malarial fever, and took to his up the Colo. trip. Then I turned again to south Arizona, but I am disgusted not been back to find up Parry would join at Tucson for this year. Could not find a good situation. The hopeless possible price of sufficient area in Arizona dist. not clear; and also in view of these facts I thought of giving (of course always excepted by the approval & aid of my friends,) the fears and sickness of my brother were such, that I took to stay talking about going. I have thought of visiting Boston and Maine (Mt. Katahdin), but am too much discouraged and too doubtful for even that. I would have started for Ktaadn this week but I discovered good company. Can't get up enthusiasm enough to undertake alone. Do you think of any trip? If you thought you could find congenial companions there would you care to venture to join me? At any rate, please write me.

Very truly yours,

C. G. Pringle.

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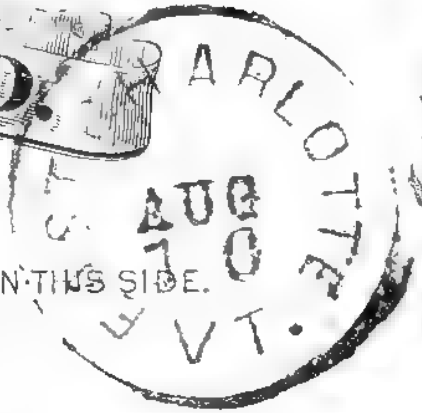

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vt.
12, July, 1883.

Dear Mr. Sampson, I have waited and looked in vain for your coming; and fear you may be ill.

I have accepted Dr. Parry's invitation to join him during August and September on a botanical journey through the southern and western part of Colorado, new ground. I don't give up Arizona. Dr. Parry writes that Lemmon will hardly be able to go much more, doubtful if he goes to Arizona or has taken.

Yours truly, C. G. Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
22, August 1883.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I am delighted to hear that you are to have a vacation. I really think a visit to Vermont will afford you more advantage than one to Mt. Katahdin. You will be in their homes and gather for more of your favorite. A trip hither would be far less a drawing-room affair for you. Now it has so long been your wish to come this way, a visit to Vermont comes first in order.

Trust me to plan work for you meanwhile. You will take the morning train Monday, 27th,

to Charlotte in Portland & leave our station about 5 P.M., and (if you don't see me) come to East Charlotte with our main. wagon.

How many I beg you to tell me in favor. On my travels I see so many strange scenes and curious objects so many interesting plants and the whole picture I want, that I have been thinking of buying a portable camera, and I can't give up the idea. Last week I enquired into the Blair Telegraph, was assured from the office (47 Tremont St.) that it was just the thing. In "Science" for June 1, Moses King, Publisher, assures of the trustworthiness of the firm. So I have decided to send you $25 and beg you to visit the Blair Telegraph

Co. before coming; and, if you are satisfied that there is no a portable dry plate Camera which I can use so successfully to buy one and bring it with you.

I would not think of dark-slides for plates but put them into the hands of a photographer.

I would like to take photographs, to give of a lot on stereoscopic views and suppose one carrying 5x8 inch plates preferable.

Perhaps you will be able to receive and the Blair people to send to find some instructions, to enable you to work the machine, when you and I get away over mount ains.

If you don't approve, don't feel bound to purchase anything. Of course I don't care for "elaborate nickel mounting" and "fine mahogany." but I want a best Camera, and if you can not

money enough will stand more expense. I am sorry I have made some improvements since last winter; or this "Tourist Combination Camera" may be better than the photographic.

Rust tools cost, I think, a car was made by Seville, N.Y.

Pardon I do not the bites by I took in making this request, but I wish you can do something which will add to the pleasure I am anticipating for us.

Trust disappointed

Yours truly

C. H. Pierce

Come to see me all your vacation, if I can succeed in entertaining you.

Charlotte, Vt.
30, Sept., 1883.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I am glad to hear from you by your welcome letter of the 27th, that you have had so good success in photography.

I have put up & send to the express office at the first opportunity the tripod (I had the other will pack better,) and enclose herewith the $6. you send to cover expenses of exchange, etc.

Don't send back the camera, etc., until you have taken all the views you would like to have; for I am doing nothing else than pitch pegs nowadays. Jimmy and I have been out every day since you left (excepting two rainy days) and

have secured about 100 bushels of grapes already.

Parish is to be married Oct. 3rd in Newark, N. J. You may expect to receive a call from him on the 8th or 9th. I trust my poor friend is getting one of the best of wives.

I am deeply grateful to you for bearing in mind my unhappy situation. I had a selfish interest in your proposed visit to Mr. Piper, being in hopes my two dear friends would hold a council over my case, and thereafter shed on me a ray of hope.

But I do want to undertake another botanical journey. Do you notice that the yellow fever adds another terror to the west coast of Mexico, where I have wanted to be in my season in Feb.?

Yours sincerely,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vt.
26. Oct., 1883.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I send back Lemmon's letter, which I have read with interest. It seems he did attain visit the Huachuca Mts. and his "Conservatory Cañon"; and that he proposes to explore some "unknown mountain range" next year. It may be that he takes a clew from our new chilcantus, and wants to get among the desert Mts. ~~&~~ ~~to~~ southwest from Tucson, as I do.

I have two copies letters from Rusby, now in Franklin, N.J. [illegible] the circumstances his success was poor, 400 species for his debt, and many [illegible], will collect no more in the West, but intends to travel "in other lands" in [illegible] of medicinal plants.

your success in photography leads me to hope that I can succeed.

I may wish to leave early next month, after which I shall be confined at home by chores; but if the camera comes before we leave, I shall endeavor to go again to Smuggler's Notch to photograph its peculiar scenery. Have you noticed the article "Vacation in Vermont" in the last number of Harper with illustrations of Mt. Mansfield and Smuggler's Notch?

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pingree.

Charlotte, 31, Dec. 1883.

My Dear Mr. Davenport:

I still adhere to my wish to have you enjoy photography after you have got so you are capable of doing so.

When abroad certainly, and whenever at home intensely busy with distributions and herbarium work scarcely less, it will be impracticable for me to develop my plates and print. You would find some pleasure in doing so, will probably have the time, and are handy to chemical and other supplies. Then, if there is any sale for views, you can effect it, to an extent sufficient to pay for materials at least, let us hope, so that after the first outlay, the business

This single lens, to replace the one now here, I want one of first-class efficiency, — no more; for I must not waste money of fancy accessories.

Would this nice box you have provided hold a '76 camera and lenses, etc., or would it be best — to get a canvas case, or, perhaps as better for packing in a trunk with heavy articles, a larger box?

If you will please enquire what would be the expense of say, —

'76 Camera + (Case?) + Say 4 "Fairy" or "New Style" holders,

Pair of Stereoscopic lenses +

Morrison or Darlot lens

I will consider the matter of a purchase.

You are right, one of these holders does not shut close into the camera, (never has, I believe,) and springs out. I have tried to hold it close.

(Rusby has sent me 12 very good and interesting views.)

will not be an expense to us. The plates can come here with my plants from time to time, and be sent right on to you.

I think my funds will admit of my getting a new outfit - with all advantages, and turning over to you this camera and lens and one or two holders. I would not ask you to pay me anything for these. If some time you are able to do so as well as not, and I need money, you may pay what you think just. But I have no idea of the market value of the assistance you are rendering me (you have been paying out money for aught I know,) or of the work I am asking from you by my proposition. I should think you might convince your conscience that you will be paying for these things in work.

I open Scovill's Catalogue. Has the Blair Co. perpetuated a better camera than Scovill's No 203, or '76 Camera?

I do want a swing back, and a front-board for taking stereoscopic views; and, then, a hinged ground-glass plate is preferable.

Will you kindly enquire and advise about lenses. Will there not be less chance for failure with an instantaneous drop? Would not a metal drop be less likely to get disabled than a wood drop? Would instantaneous plates be more expensive? For stereoscopic work would "Imitation Dallmeyer" matched lenses at $17. be as good as any or good enough? Are the Morrison Group lenses, (B=$40; C=$50; CC=$70,) much superior, and how to the Darlot lenses? These seem to have wood drops. Of course for

or would a pair of Scovill's "Perfect" $25 do any?

further (how I must pester you in this matter!) will a '76 Camera act upright? I must have such an one.

I am glad to hear by your note of the 28th that the lost plates are pretty well exposed. I had so little faith in "lightning" exposures that I probably erred on the other hand.

I am not surprised at the intelligence of the death of your mother; with you I rejoice that you could so dutifully and tenderly care for her in her last years of infirmity.

My daughter ~~was~~ spent many weeks within 20 miles of here, without writing me, and amid such surrounding (under such oversight, I believe I may say,) that I could not think of visiting her. I heard that she and her mother were going to Boston, and a hope arose that through some good friend I might

put a letter into her hand; but I was surprised that an avenue of communication with her should so soon be opened to you. I beg of you not to let it be lost or closed by reason of suspicions aroused in her mother. How I wish you might meet my daughter and disabuse her mind of the false notions concerning me, which have been assiduously implanted in it. At least (as it seems to me,) you can through your sister convey into her own hand a letter from me.

Now I am glad that I told you so freely and fully my feelings toward my poor daughter. I have now little hope of enjoying her society, while her mother lives. It may be best that we should not meet; I want her to know that I have cherished a father's love and that there are good people, who love me, as they understand me.

Yours truly, C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] anxious about [illegible]

[illegible]

Yes "sufficient" [illegible] kind. But what work so worthy can I really do? Oh, I must go; is it not the way of my duty?

After I get some money, I shall want to attempt fish supply

of dry plates. I have done 25-
or [illegible] minutes.

You must tell me what I
ought to pay you for expense and
labor in this line during the past
year.

I will be a [illegible] good negatives
of them and I hope to [illegible] some [illegible]
views. And when we get [illegible]
you fine photographs of the [illegible]
Rev and photo [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] a dark and perhaps
pay expense of printing [illegible]. I
don't expect to make anything out
of this; but now I have my camera
I wish to secure some photographs to
please myself and friends, if
no more. Mr. C. B. Young writes
that it would greatly help work if
I could photograph fish, flowers life
size or more, with another lens
might not. I do this [illegible] I
desire [illegible] and Prof. Lugger
may be a good point of Smithsonian

and some of the others on Kansas Creek.

Again you heard of the failure of my friend
W. K. Phillips of N. Y. [illegible] Dennis money
by his [illegible] [illegible]. Green expected appointment
as a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] I have in mind from my collection
and [illegible] with the Smithsonian
Friends for a copy of Pomology.

I might be able to find [illegible] Hippuris a
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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Charlotte, Vermont
11, Feb., 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I hasten to remit the balance, $10.38 you wrote.

Friday I spent several hours most pleasantly making myself familiar with the new photo. outfit. Thanks to your careful directions I had no trouble in doing so. I am charmed with the outfit; I should think I might do all I wish with it.

I hope you will receive back your first love, and find much more happiness with it. I fancy I shall not often use the pair of lenses with this Darlot W. A. You make capital pictures. I only hope I can approximate to your excellence. Your ingenuity will easily prevent the leakage of light on the right-end. I have thought strips of black velvet

paste in the right place would do it. While waiting for a chance to send it to the Ex. Office I may take a few views, and send to you in the small holders, to be developed. If so please print two or three pictures and send here to my name.

I am now waiting for Davy to come back from Canada and take charge of affairs.

I now think (as I hear that vegetation in S. Arizona owing to a mild winter is more advanced than I supposed, and as Dr. Gray hopes later to secure for me passes to help me around the Mex. R.R.) I shall go right to Tucson and travel first through the warm low desert country to the S.W. Yours pathfully and faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

and the two I would upon please [illegible]
on cash to [illegible] = Fred. H. Davenport.

I must say I don't feel so confident of my ability to manage successfully the new Camera as I would like to. So many diaphrams may prove a snare to me.

Hoping you and Laura are now recovered from your misfortune, and wishing you and yours every blessing, I bid you another goodbye, and remain faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
21, Feb., 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have sent to the express office your camera and tripod in two parcels.

Don't give yourself any anxiety about payment. I don't want you to pay in cash. I would have kept the Darlot W. A. lens, whose use I had learned, had I not been desirous that you should enjoy so fruitful a source of pleasure. I hope you can again do this as fully as you did last fall; and I trust you will not find it an expensive pastime.

I have lately had misgivings lest I was asking too much of you in depending on you to develop

my plates. If so, set it down to my ignorance of the expense of this in time and money, and defend yourself from my impositions.

I have tried developing two plates, but am quite at a loss to know if I have been successful. To do this seems easy enough; yet as I know nothing of the art — I am alarmed (in view of the abundant work already required of me) from undertaking to learn all its niceties and to acquire skill and judgment in its operations.

With Tucson as my base for a while at least — I shall hope to get a photographer to develop a few of my first plates and give me rules for timing. Also I have a hope that I can send to you in a package of films two or three plates. I would like to go first for Chrysanthemum Pringlei, and at the same time secure for you a view of its habitat.

You may be surprised to see I am not away yet. This I was ready to start on the 11th, when my young assistant, whom I had kept in training all winter, quite contrary to all expectation chose matrimony rather than travel. So I have had to find and get ready another.

Now I hope to be off on the 25th. I expect to stop with Dr. Parry a day or two. Possibly he may influence my course, but I now think I shall go right to Tucson. I want to make a journey through the southwest — in which last — spring you are there w. ff.

I think you will hear from me next at Sacramento.

My daughter is still in Vermont but under surveillance.

In the holders you will find 4 plates to be developed for pictures for my experiment. If you can get good pictures from these

Charlotte, Vt.

26, Feb., 1884.

My Dear Friend, your post-card of 23 is received. My sympathy ~~and~~ is with you, and earnest hope that your family may all come through this afflictive safely.

A great joy! I spent the day yesterday with my daughter, not seen since 12 years! She is a dear and lovely girl. She went so with her mother to reinforce Dr. Cullis, Faith Doctor, Boston Highlands. I have given her your address, and hope you can meet ~~and~~ that she may obtain a fuller knowledge of our father through your kindness. I expect to be on my way tomorrow. I dread a little the breaking off. Hope I may return. Yours faithfully.

Pringle.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS CAN BE PLACED ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. C. Swampson
9 Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Davenport, Iowa,
2. March, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport;

I was agreeably surprised to find, here last evening, your card [illegible] and was very glad to be assured that our children are not in any danger from the fever.

Yes I did transfer the plates [illegible] the 1st. [illegible] the 2d inst. I [illegible] safe. I feel sure that the [illegible] I am bringing with me will [illegible] you avoid a most annoying [illegible] in Tucson, Thanks. Am not surprised to hear that my developed plates not "good", too careless.

I am passing a day or two most pleasantly in the society and home of Prof. C. Parry. Expect to start on tomorrow evening for Tucson, where I am glad to know I may expect soon to hear from you again.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Trimble.

Tucson, Arizona, (Mexico)
16, March, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Your second letter to me in care of Dr. Parry was received just as I was leaving Davenport. I think the likeness of my friends (the two interior views) perfect, and shall be delighted if you can make some fine pictures from my exposures, as the two ladies are invalids, scarcely leaving home, and I intended to give them a pleasure.

The hints sent here by post-card I am trying to profit by. I have next my room here a dark closet, and, as I manage, have no idea that light can injure my plates.

I have made two or three exposures, and shall try to get the plates safely to you in a package of pressed ferns? in tin box.

The photographer here says it would take an entire day, and a fresh and full stock of chemicals for him to prepare himself to advise me. The trouble and expense deters me from employing him. So I try this little piece of smuggling. Oh, if you can only see the scenes which I saw on the ground glass!

I reached here on the 7th, jumping out of February in Vermont into June (in Arizona.) Thermometer often 80° and all the country green and flowery. Abundant rains, still continuing, are making this such a season for verdure as Arizona has not been for years. Have already begun corresponding.

I have bought a span of horses and a large spring wagon with a white canvas cover in which we can keep cool and dry and travel in ease. My hopes of success are high.

Am getting ready to travel southwest, where reputation is more advanced, and hope to get into Mexico. If I could only get so far as the Gulf of Calif.!

Will not expose many plates till I hear from these on my return here.

A beautiful and loving letter from my daughter, who has visited my home, thrills me with strange emotions. Will patience, nelly, have its reward?

Peace reigns among all the Apaches.

Faithfully,

C. G. Finger.

+ Some lichens for valiant [illegible] in my [illegible] Hippolyte.

(with photographs) of March 5th & 26th, and I received letter of March 24th. I too prompt in of Arizona views. Sorry I over-exposed; but I came too quick enough. From a kind letter from Mr. Higginson I understand that he gets some idea of Arizona mountains from my photographs. Similar Pringle is in the low mountains called Sierra Tucson five miles west of town; the Sta. Catalina Mts. are a dozen miles north-east of Tucson. Sorry I over-exposed, because I exposed 8 plates on my Mexican trip. Will see the P. M. and arrange to send them by mail, if possible. Was misled by Spanish "5 seconds".

I sometimes feel troubled in conscience when I consider how much trouble I am making you in this. More soon again.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Tucson, Arizona.

17. April, 1886.

My Dear Friend,

I am back again from my first journey into Sonora; it was a long trip, occupying nearly four weeks, during which time I travelled nearly 800 miles. Not a single unpleasant occurrence to mar the pleasure of the trip; — only this; that is a very dry country (Western Sonora) and in the region near the Gulf of California watering places were 15 or 20 miles apart and grass so scarce that I had to hurry past some good botanizing places, particularly upon the desert plains. I reached the coast at a point some 90 miles south-west from Altar; and there

nothing was growing amongst the rocks and sand-hills upon which my horses could feed, so I had to crowd them (too fast growing work) inland after a brief day's stay. This you may be sure was a grief to me. Oh, it is a hard coming to travel, yet missing men there, who hospitably entertained me as I passed them, amused me that so verdant a spring as the present had never been known to them since their stay there.

Well I brought home a big trunk full of choice plants, some of which I am confident will be found undescribed. Ferns? No; on those sun-burnt mountains of W. Sonora I saw only two ferns, Notha. Hookeri and Sinuata. I will not say that no others grow there; a thorough search might reveal others.

But on my way back I spent three or four days among the Bavispe mts. just on this side the Boundary, and there were many ferns, including a Pellaea which may be P. flexuosa, (I do not know that species,) though I [illegible] to do anything flexuous about it, and a Notholaena with fronds too narrow it turned to me for N. dealbata. I will enclose bits this time. — With the plants.

I want to return and make a long trip along the Boundary westward, and will probably start the first of next month.

Just now I am on the point of driving over to the Sta. Catalina Mts., where I hope to find Will. Parish, who has come to botanize Arizona this summer.

You will see dear Dr. Parry in a few weeks, as he soon goes east, thence in June to Europe.

This morning I got your letters

Postscript.

The postmaster tells me he will take the plates, if put up so they cannot break; so I send the 8 taken on my Mexican trip and one just taken (Santa Catalina Mts. from Tucson) as before,) in accordance with your advice.

Now I hope you can make good negatives from these Mexican plates! Especially Nos. 3 and 4. Yet they were timed by the same footing as before.

The officials at the Custom House on the Mexican border were so courteous and kind, permitting me to enter Mexico free that I betrayed myself of photographing the Custom House (Adwana) as a slight return. They were pretty pleased. Their homes and friends are, I suppose in some far-off Mexican city (the capital I think,) and views 15 and 16 their friends would be most highly pleased. If you can make

[illegible] pictures, please mail 6
to Señor Don Enrique Ochoa,
Adriana, Sasabi,
Sonora, Mexico.

So at the San Felix Mine I experienced so much kindness at the hands of the resident proprietor, a gentleman from Chicago, that I tried for a view of the house. (He told me his friends had asked him for some a pencil sketch of the house he lives in.) If you can make anything of the photo (No. 4,) please send 6 to

Wm. S. Sturges, Esq., Tucson, Arizona.

I hope for some of these, because some were exposed under a cloudy sky, or towards evening. One, No. 8, was with drop-shutter on account of wind swaying the trees.

Well, I trust these will reach you safely. And now I can go ahead for views more intelligently.

Pringle.

from Babyquivari Mts, was not scarce. So tell me if it is new, or anything but P. floryosa.

Then I found what I take to be Nothr. Arizonicum, a Chaitanthes which I thought looked like Ch. barnejiana, and another which I hope is your Ch. villosum; if not it must be Ch. myriophylla, true, as it has clustered root stocks. Them specimens of this and one each of the two former you will find in one of the boxes of plants.

Now I will go on photographing with better confidence, exposing for good views and giving one or two seconds longer time.

I do want to go back to the Santa Catas (Tucson mountains) but it is almost June, and I ought to be north.

Address still Tucson (to be forwarded if gone). Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

Tucson, Arizona.
24, May, 1887.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Coming in from a two weeks trip to the Santa Catas, I found last evening your letter of the 7th with proofs, and your card of the 9th.

I am greatly pleased and encouraged that you succeeded in getting so good pictures from my Mexican plates. I am delighted with that of the Sasabi Custom House and shall not fear to visit there again. Yes, the white covered wagon is mine; you will see it ~~in~~ ~~on~~ come out on my plates now and again. It is my home on wheels.

I do want to travel again

in Sonora after the summer rains, but it is doubtful if I do this year. And as the San Felix House is more than 200 miles from here, it is not likely I can try again. So I will buy you to make a few prints for Mr. Sturges; they will at least be better than the pencil sketch his friends asked him for.

What species is the giant cactus? you ask. That is a question that disturbs my mind much; and tremblingly I hope it may be a n. sp. I have asked Dr. Parry to look it up. He will be calling on you about these days, I trust, and asking to be shown this picture.

But what trouble I must be making you. Now I have 20 plates, which are understimed, I fear. But I send them all off to you in three boxes as before. I will buy you to make two or three prints of the two called "Sullivan family" and "Sullivan House", if you can get tolerable ones and mail to Mrs. Wm. O. Sullivan, Tucson, Arizona, and 6 to 12 prints of the Mines in the Santa Ritas" and send to J. V. Wright, Tucson; Mr. W. was kind to us and poor as beef, when our provisions were about out.

About these mines in the foot-hills of the Santa Ritas I found myself in a amidst a rich flora, so I did not get to the main mountains for which I started.

Found the Noth. mines abundant but collected but little as it was mostly dry and I was under the impression it was going under N. dust bath, which I did not care to put into my sets. The Pellaea and

"on the common botanizing ground of Arizona," as he wrote at first.

I am really sorry for him; and have been not a little embarrassed as I say.

Should Dr. Parry call on you after you get this, I would be glad to have him read it.

Well, I must get north soon. But there is the fall flora, which I have for three years longed to work upon. And it has been Mr. Stephens plan to return to Cal. by Sept. Then, if I go north, there is Mammon and wife! Well. —

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Tucson,
24, May, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

From the letter which I just posted I left out these memoranda slips.

I will speak of Will. Parish at this opportunity. He made a mistake, as he now sees, by going into partnership with an orthodoxist. Mr. Stephens is a man I much admire; but his business keeps him encamped in a few places (chiefly in railways,) through the entire season. Mr. Parish, having invested his funds with him, must stay with him to get his living; they are not able to buy a team, or even a mule, with which the botanist can scour over the country; and Mr. Parish is dis-

inclined, I really think incapacitated for, certainly unused to making long marches, so he lies in camp, as he says, and looks longing toward the mountains so near and yet so far away. He is thoroughly discouraged, not to say demoralized, as a collector. To make his case worse he is held on ground which Lemmon and I have worked quite thoroughly. The relations between him and me have been pleasant; I have twice taken him to good fields, but he would scarcely take anything on the last trip; had given up making a distribution next winter. It pains and embarrasses me to find myself in his way. Since my acts of 1881 were exhausted I have had so many orders for them that I decided to make 20 acts to renew them as far as possible. This I began last year and had worked here more than a month this spring before I knew of his coming here. It took some courtesy for me to move elsewhere for another field as soon as I found him here, but my former much impeded journeys had given me a claim to many good things (some n. sp. which I had never succeeded in getting into my acts) which I have long been anxious to follow up, and I have obtained and done this with good success, at the same time finding other new or rare species and collecting again my species of 1881 and 1882. Thus practically with my superior outfit large experience and large patronage I have headed him off, while entertaining the kindliest feelings toward him, and really trying to put him in the way of good things. I must think he knew of my being here, before he left home, and came on with a purpose of competing with me (in a friendly enough way to be sure)

FLORA OF THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

ARIZONA.

1884.

Cheilanthes myriophylla, Desv.

(True!)

Limestone ledges,

Santa Rita Mountains.

May 14.

C. G. PRINGLE. [illegible]

Sorry that I had my Tickets
printed before receiving the
to have the Children.

I have got an Kitchen on the
Ground in West Philadelphia.
and the minutes lies in the
little temple, etc.

FLORA OF THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

ARIZONA.

1884.

Gilia inconspicua, Dougl.

Baboquiverai Mountains. in Arizona
Jose Dec, but close by the Mex. frontier
and, about 50 miles south west
from Tucson.

April 9.

C. G. PRINGLE.

Tucson, Arizona.
18, July, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Back from a three weeks trip among the Huachuca and other mountains, I find with pleasure your favor of June 28th with proofs of which I see that we have secured a few more good photos; the two of my dear Santa Rita Mts. I shall especially cherish. I am annoyed about the light-streaks and lately have been trying carefully to avoid them. The excessive dryness of this climate has caused certain shrinkings or warpings in some of my holders.

I have now used up more than half of my plates, and

I made the Corona into Dr. Perry's hands

Bonetipes [illegible] having work by me, which will bring out rapidly the autumn flora, with which I am little acquainted. I follow my own inclinations and Dr. Gray's wishes, and decide not to change base this season. So let me [illegible] again and test a field new to me.

I have my new genus, — Ringophytum, Gray, — acanthacous [illegible] N. Sonora, modest and neat.

I have the most friendly letter from Will Parish. He is badly broken, says that he has lost the [illegible], and his brother's marriage practically turns him broke. They are kind to him but he thinks [illegible] to leave them to their happiness. Am glad my daughter (alas how little mine!) is visiting you. Please bear in mind that she is not yet more than half disentangled from the influences [illegible] under which she has been reared.

I am anxious about your health.

Faithfully. C. G. Pringle

and am exposing for plants and trees making the landscape incidental as a back ground, unless I find some view or other object of special interest. Should I want more plants toward the end of the season, they might come to me in the fall cases returned, might they not?

On the Headlands I got a good lot of Asplenium monanthemum, and found a few plants of Aspidium lycandiifolium, securing a dozen fronds of 1883. Pellaea marginata I saw here and there coming up after its summer rest and looking much like P. gracilis. The fronds of last year were dead.

Into the box in which I send more plants I put a specimen of an Asplenium (I got 20 specimens) to ask you if it is A. Glenie. I at first took it for A. parvulum. Also a small frond, broken up, of an Aspid. which I strongly suspect you will call Dicksonii; though, when gathering it, I was hoping I had got a. Karwinskianum. I have over 40 good fronds of it.

I saw some dried up plants of Pellaea trichophylla.

I travelled widely over the mountains, exploring several cañons similar to Smugglers Notch, and have concluded that some of Lemmon's finds were scarce there, and that he explored the plants as far as he could. Do you think he got many specimens of some of them. I have sent home for his account, that I may know whether I found his "Fern Album" cañon. I want to return a month or so later and secure complete specimens.

Tucson,

7, August, 1884.

Dear Friend,

I start again this morning toward Sonora, Mr. Stephens, the smith & pistol accompanying, intending if we prosper and find grass and water (that cooling is now every day) to be gone three weeks.

The letter promised by your last card does not [illegible] before I start.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS CAN BE PLACED ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. C. Sampson
5, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Tucson, Arizona.
24, Sept., 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I am glad to infer from your letter of the 18th, that your health is better. And it is pleasing to hear of so good success with the last plates. The most of the large cactuses about San Felix are the strange one and not C. gigantius. Mr. Stephens with one of his plates secured near San Felix a tolerably good view of a magnificent specimen of the strange cereus. But I have a plate from which I hope you will get a better one. I have about 20 plates, which have been exposed, and would send them to you, only, as I am going right home, I think best to carry them in my bag.

I intend to go home as soon as I can dispose of my team and get away. My collections are packed ready for shipment.

When I wrote you last I was starting for the Huachuca Mts., planning to round up my season pleasantly with a few more weeks of work. Finding good collecting, I travelled slowly, and before we reached the mountains my man and I had both contracted malarial fever. We took to the bed and fought it, while I struggled to defy the disease and shake it off, and get back to Tucson. It was a terrible journey of three days in weakness and suffering, but three hours in sixty miles and much of the road not travelled once a week. I barely held out to reach home. My next fever was dangerously high, 105°.

A good physician soon subdued the fever; but my strength is gone. I could not do much climbing in some time; and I don't want to rely any more on my half-invalid assistant. Fred is wanting my help at home; so I have decided to return, though I sorrow not to have got 400 species for my new set, and to have certain forms and genera especially.

Recently I have received a kind and entertaining letter from Mr. Higgins, which I have not acknowledged, because I have permitted the cares of this abundant autumn flora upon me to unstrung me —

Look to hear from me in Charlotte next.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

11, Oct., 1884.

My Dear Friend.

I take pleasure in sending you by mail, (Reg. Pkg.) my aneroid. I shall have no use for it this fall, I think. Open with thumb nail.

I also send with it my lamp [illegible] to buy you to insure it in my express a new glass inserted. This was broken early in the season by the carelessness of my man, and I had to use a candle concealed in a box with P.O. paper. It looks more doubtful about my visiting Boston as I shall not need to go to Concord, and shall need to save my dollar for another journey; it may be to Mexico and way.

Yours faithfully

C. G. Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. C. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.

My dear Friend, 12, Dec., 1884.

I was surprised and delighted to receive a beautiful album of photos. You have shown excellent taste in arranging the views, and have the names all right. I have looked for your promised letter about matters. I have made some to send to Stephen, — 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 16 + 19 and for my assistant 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 14, 21, 25, 27, 33, 35, 36, 15.

My daughter has come like a pearl, but little girls to spend the winter with us. I am expecting a visit from a barbarian to Washington. So far all has gone well for another journey; my [illegible] will stay by me in North, Mex., [illegible] my [illegible] in my [illegible].

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
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PRINGLE & HORSFORD,
CHOICE NOVELTIES
FOR GARDEN AND FIELD.
NORTH AMERICAN
PLANTS and SEEDS.

MEMORANDUM.

To

Charlotte, Vermont, U. S. A., 27, Jan., 188[illegible]

Dear Mr. Sauerpart,

Glad to hear you will send me plants for Esplanade by [illegible], & I am [illegible] with them upon arrival. If you have not sent I begin this, please send them to Jensen, sending the bill to him & he would [illegible] you. Sometime I hear you have done so I will be in Chicago in May or in Chicago [illegible] & [illegible] get them back from Jensen but if you send all it will be by express & not slow freight.

How I wish you might come to see Miss Piper some Sunday. I believe she would be [illegible] and I [illegible] would [illegible] if you could be there. Can't you?

Yours truly C. E. Pringle

Charlotte, Vt.

31, Jan., 1885.

Dear Mr. Dunnport,

Well, I am glad to know that the Chilcoattus purple is found. I hope it may be C. Sariosa, a name most appropriate. It is at home only on limestone ledges, in driest situations where there is "least soil & most and rigid," as you note. (I had it some with specimens to review them, and make them unroll their fronds) and in shaded places with more earth or richer mould, taller and more lax. But it is all one species; and I trust you will have the courage to do as Lorstow or Fray would do in such a case. Thanks for the nice prints on my friends. Yes, I must write Stacy's.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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MEMORANDUM.

To

Charlotte, Vermont, U. S. A., 6, Feb., 1885.

Dear Mr. Davenport,—

Hurrying preparations for my journey, I think of a fresh supply of "dry plates", and send you $1.5, begging you to order such as you think best (Carbutt's special?) sent me by express. If these are more rapid than A + B's, will 2 second suffice where I used 4? And can we "stop" at all in drop shutter exposures?

Do tell me frankly; for I don't know. Ought not I to send you a sum of money to balance for what you have done for me. Or have you hopes of realizing a little from the sale of pictures? And ought I to send my plates this year to some photographer

Sometimes I feel that I may be abusing your ~~good~~ kindness cruelly in asking so much help from you. Unless you hope it may yet be to your advantage, do tell me, if I should not employ a photographer. You have shown your usual kindness and patience in helping me to a start; but you must not permit me to burden you too long.

The Amazid is; do tell me the cost of repairs to it, that I may repay you. It was fortunate for me that you went for it, for I might not otherwise have known it was out of order till on my journey.

Prof. Sargent may call on you to see some of our photos, since he has become interested in them.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Supt. to whom [illegible] gave me a letter, [illegible] I will [illegible] is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I beg you not to be very anxious on my account. [illegible] [illegible] now the [illegible] I had on first coming into this country [illegible] and informing myself of its people [illegible] [illegible] the different [illegible] many advantages and made so many friends. [illegible] always [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. It took me [illegible] while to get [illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] well as ever. I will not [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] easily [illegible] [illegible] in! But I think I know now where the danger lies and [illegible] [illegible] going in the way. for the most part it comes from the miserably poor peons, who with knives and stones would kill a man for a few dollars. The upper class of Mexicans as well as all Americans [illegible] [illegible] in good faith, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible].

I am planning a long journey of some 800 miles along the [illegible] of the Sierra Madre and then across the south end of the [illegible] into [illegible]. For this journey I am negotiating with a fine old Spanish gentleman, who [illegible] [illegible] in these [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] and mules. He proposes to send his [illegible] servant [illegible], a peon of his who would not [illegible] for his life (a man [illegible] the power of life and death over his peons) to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. The gentleman, Señor Don Francisco [illegible] is [illegible] manager of Mr. E.S. [illegible], [illegible] of a mining

It has been the prime and
[illegible] expedition,
for it is the dry season. [illegible]
[illegible] the season
[illegible] I pick up
a few specimens together.

[illegible] Trichopilus [illegible]
here in Livingstone [illegible] similar to those
of S. Carolina where I found it last year.
Meth. [illegible] Arizonensis, [illegible] Grayi,
Cheil. [illegible] Alabamensis, fomentosa? I have
seen. I have found so far [illegible]
[illegible] Lobe. If I [illegible] to it I do
[illegible] I must send you a packet.

I fear I shall not like travel by
an [illegible] book; but it is a [illegible]
[illegible] I am to explore and [illegible]
[illegible] have [illegible] set. It must be that
I shall get many choice things.

So you have heard from Jones.
[illegible] Dr. Pick of Austria [illegible]

that only two of the 18 [illegible]
he had [illegible] for him in Europe
held 650 [illegible] [illegible]
his [illegible] [illegible]
had quite [illegible]. Why I [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
in Arizona (Mountains).

Mrs. Lemmon and Miss Carter
intend to visit the East upon the close
of the N.O. Exhibition, [illegible]
doubtless [illegible].

I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] on March 4th, [illegible] after my
arrival here.

Accept my kindest wishes, and
hope that I shall be able to do
my duty here and return safely
home. Yours faithfully,

A. G. [illegible]

now being everywhere in Mexico, as one of the Texas (written by me in Mexico) the people were discussing the getting a tourist ticket, which about [illegible] in the heart of the country upon its breaking out there. I knew it was coming in the city of Guadalupe; but, when my friend died, I began to fear I might linger much too long and accordingly packed up my traps and came away. I hope right my return from Chapala the Southern Mexican tourists spend next day or spending to my friends.

Rest, good fare, etc, will soon restore my strength. North Mexico is getting very dry. The rains expected soon will bring up a new and fine flora and will probably check the migration. Now I hope to go

El Paso, Texas,
14, June, 1885.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have been culpably remiss in leaving you for a long time in ignorance of my movements and in doubt concerning my safety.

It is because since the first week of my Mexican journey, I have felt too unsettled to speak of my plans and have postponed writing from week to week, in order that I might solve my perplexities. This I have now done for the present at least, and can definitely report concerning myself.

I am on my way home, I suppose you will not quarrel over this fact, as I do. I am in some measure

[illegible] by [illegible] for [illegible] by any [illegible], [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]. It is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] demands this step.

When I [illegible] wrote you I was planning a [illegible] journey by [illegible] train through the Sierra Madre. About that time I was surprised by an attack of malarial fever, a return of the disease contracted in Arizona last fall. This made me postpone my trip and watch the progress of the disease, which I worked near the close of [illegible], careful not to get beyond the reach of medical aid, if I should find myself unable to check the fever by my medicines brought from home. The attacks came with [illegible] [illegible] in severity and [illegible] out my strength and [illegible] [illegible]. They [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and to my [illegible] surprise [illegible] when [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] to drag myself to the train and, [illegible] [illegible]. In a day or two I [illegible] [illegible] again through [illegible]. I anticipated being compelled to give up my work, and struggled to accomplish as much as possible before I should get too weak. By the time my strength got reduced so as to give out at [illegible], a [illegible] friend of mine died of [illegible] fever in Chihuahua. He was a young missionary [illegible]. I had known [illegible]

[illegible] upon [illegible] [illegible] expressed [illegible]

back for a few months [illegible] as [illegible] I might [illegible] with [illegible] much [illegible] up in the Live and [illegible] the Pleasure. [illegible] in some respects [illegible] a [illegible]!

[illegible] Summer season is not [illegible] time for [illegible] of Truth. I have three or four pieces, however, for my next [illegible] but have [illegible] volume later, [illegible] I [illegible] you fragments of [illegible]. I would [illegible] gathered such as [illegible] them [illegible] to you [illegible] time, and now I have [illegible] that in my hurried packing

up they went into my big boxes, which remain to several months on the way home.

I feel gratification over the results of this collection since, a fair specimen in flight for sale, and many odd species of a few specimens each, — in all perhaps 12 or 15 specimens. I never expected so much in a region, such most cases that yield at this season little or nothing. It cost me much hard riding with after long tramps to gather a specimen or two. It will be more fruitful than after the rains come; then will be the time for grasses; and a large collection of Mexican grasses is a great object with me. As yet I have only half a dozen species for my sale. Liliaceae (Nearias, etc.) predominate in my collection.

Reading this do you despair and fear I will bring to my injudicious for botanical sections a long lifetime? Well, what else can I work for? What else can take the place of this in my mind and heart? It was a great thing to explore Mexico, as I am in the way to do, and I might manage to live till I could do it pretty well.

But I cannot wear it out while my mother lives and cause my dear friends pain by such sacrifice of myself. Else I should not have to on my way home.

It may be two or three weeks before I reach home, as I wish to visit friends on my way.

Loving to see you, I am,

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

over

20 July, 1888.

Dear Mr. Thompson;

[illegible] many [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] days caused me to
delay announcing my safe arrival.
Then I was taken [illegible], and
since then have scarcely written a
letter. I [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] about me.

I [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] course of medicine
which has I trust cleared me of
the last [illegible] of malaria, [illegible]
[illegible]
I [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible]
to [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible], and I hope it secure much
more than my spring hand. I
want to meet the expectations of
botanists, and I could never be
excused without making at least
one good season in Mexico. My coll.,
[illegible] not come [illegible] yet.

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

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U.S. POSTAGE ONE CENT

Mr. Geo. E. Thompson
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
27, July, 1885.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

I am leaving, finished my course of medicine, which I hope to find has cleansed me of Malaria. I am on the point of returning to my work in Mexico. I feel refreshed by my rest (it will be a vacation of six weeks of the time I can get back,) and think I can make another trip in comparative safety. My field is not a malarial country; I am somewhat acquainted with its real perils so as the better to keep clear of them; my old room and some good friends there are awaiting me; good rains have now revived the

P.S.

My boxes not having come home I am unable to send you any specimens of ferns, but you will receive them, I think, in two or three days, as Mr. Horsford undertakes to attend to this matter.

There is a Nothoalena, which Mr. Knight might be N. nivea from the fact in my Flora; but with entire plants in your hands you will see that it is a species as near N. Horkesii as it is near that species.

Then there is a very white fern with lanceolate pinnæ, Hemp to me, and a Gymnogramme.

vegetation, and I hope to find the fall flora more abundant than the spring one.

I shall be satisfied to dig up this only half a box, and hope with good season to secure before winter a collection that will suit the expectations of my numerous patrons.

As I go back for plants, I have thought best ~~not~~ to take my camera; as I must go on foot on the mule back chiefly, it is a heavy incumbrance in addition to my botanical burdens.

In Chihuahua last spring I made a few exposures of plates, which I beg you to receive by express, and with them you will find some of this vicinity. Please send a print of each to me before

Will you not write me once in a while to Chihuahua?

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

also [illegible] [illegible] specimens of a beautiful "Echinocactus," seen with [illegible] [illegible] finely [illegible], [illegible] I have [illegible] [illegible] spot, [illegible] only a few plants [illegible].

You [illegible] to [illegible] the money paid [illegible] August.

By the end of this month probably, the [illegible] Season [illegible] will close, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] will not be so [illegible] [illegible] collecting. But frost will hardly come before Christmas. I [illegible] tell [illegible] how [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] no discouragement. Wherever I am, however, I remain

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle

Chihuahua, Mexico.
4, Sept, 1885.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I write you after [illegible] months [illegible] here during which time we have [illegible] [illegible] specimens. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] more [illegible] [illegible]. It is a pleasure to be [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to live in this [illegible] [illegible] and collect [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from the [illegible] [illegible] to the heats of a Mexican August tempered on this high tableland by [illegible] [illegible]. The change was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — Almost daily showers, which clearing but for a brief while the [illegible] is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] keep the

air fresh. The amount of rain this [illegible] magnificent [illegible] in many parts of [illegible] [illegible] The rockiest [illegible] vegetation. [illegible] gather [illegible] anything [illegible] of your [illegible]. I have been kept intensely busy [illegible] not yet [illegible] the end, [illegible]

I rejoice in the [illegible] in the [illegible] was a great compliment [illegible] I have yet [illegible] which [illegible] been [illegible] And I [illegible] not a [illegible]

Accept my thanks [illegible]

[illegible] after the strange [illegible] of the [illegible] anything [illegible] out of the field for a single day.

I trust ere this you have received from [illegible] the few ferns of my first journey. Now that the rains have [illegible] the fern variety, I [illegible] a small one [illegible] Tomentosa nor yet [illegible]. I send a specimen, the white one. It often grows a few inches higher.

so unlike what I distributed last year (St. Catalina July, 1888) that I might put it into Set.?

You were right in your conjecture that I had sent off by mistake all my stock of Cnidoscolus Urcifolius; I am glad you can return the bundle.

All right to send to Cambridge and Kew; but both have my full Set.

During the last few days of my stay in Orizaba I expected some 60 plates, to get stamps Mex. sent, chiefly; and I can shortly dispatch to you the plates.

When I get my tickets printed, I shall want to send those which belong with these specimens.

Yours faithfully,

Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
23, Nov., 1888.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Arrived home on Saturday evening in excellent health. I am looking back upon a most delightful and most successful journey, remembering with a thrill of gladness the bright skies* and the interesting flora of Mexico, and am looking forward with fond anticipations to a season in my herbarium and to pleasant converse with my friends, of which you are one of the dearest.

* I have not seen the sun since I came home.

In haste to re-name of my plants for the printer, I have sent you today by mail the terms of this last journey.

If I mistake not 456 is one of your "orders" of last winter. I found only one station and that yielded but 13 specimens. I sometimes wonted (almost) that I found that station, so many miles I travelled the steep rocky hills of Chihuahua searching their cliffs in vain for more. The clump was growing from black mould which had accumulated in a fissure of a cliff about a foot wide and was sheltered from direct access of rain and sunshine by a projection of rock near upper part of the fissure. I never found another place just like it; but am confident that there is a plenty of the seed hidden amongst the scores of miles of cliffs, which render difficult of access the summits of the mountains within view from the city of Durango. These Smugglers Notch can be matched twenty times over, and yet that is only the plateau region of Mexico. A journey of 150 miles to the west, which must be made on mule-back for half of the way, brings one amongst the Sierra Madre.

What was VI which Mr. Hayden sent you?

455, woodsia. Is it w. Mexicana? I did not get enough for sets.

Last year I must have sent you a specimen of a woodsia from Santa Rita Mts.; was it w. Mex.?

453 and 457. Is either of these

near Chilmark, was related to anything I had met with elsewhere, certainly not to the robust Ca. leucopodia, with [illegible] stipes and very [illegible] [illegible] so common about [illegible] limestone ledges of the [illegible] Catalina Mts., and [illegible] in the idea mentioned. I thought you had made a great mistake that time, and studied the two plants carefully whenever I met with them. I some week to give up that the little one was a distinct species. Still I believed it a good variety, till near a bed of the little ones, and growing strong and pale not in the full sunlight I at last came upon a single plant, of which I sent you a frond. ~~A~~ ~~by~~ This caused me to think that I might be mistaken; and when I reached home, and ~~[illegible]~~ say ~~[illegible]~~ Ch. leucopodia ~~[illegible]~~ described as rigid pubescent I found my entire Ca. Don't let the premature appearance of the specimens cause you

Charlotte, Vermont.
4. Dec., 1885.

My dear Friend,

Thanks for your careful report on my ferns.

You did not mention 441 of which I enclose a frond, but I presume it is one of the things waiting for Eaton's judgment.

444. Asplenium. If [illegible] plant is worth anything among its characters this departs from A. Trichomanes in one direction you may not have noticed in the dried specimens. Its growth is not erect like that species, but the fronds form a mat closely appressed to the soil. During the autumn months

after the fronds [illegible] have fully formed [illegible] the favorable conditions [illegible] in rainy season, and [illegible] this sori are maturing, their rachis elongates [illegible] the surface of the soil, roots at the tip and sends up [illegible] fronds the very fronds of the offset. The tip is a continuity of the rachis, for a while a connecting between the young plant and old, usually decays early the next year. It was for this reason that I was mislead to notice the [illegible] peculiarities [illegible] of the plant, and that few of my specimens, gathered in October, [illegible] more than the rudiments of the plantlet.

But why is not this plant as far removed from A. Trichomanes, as A. parvulum is from A. ebeneum? Notice the oblong pinnae, more distinctly auricled and acutely [illegible] and sori consistent at maturity. Yet if Prof. Eaton [illegible] yourself judge it to be only a variety of Asp. Trichomanes, I am [illegible] enough and have [illegible] confidence enough in your judgment to distribute freely.

456. Adiantum Pedatum L.?

Yes, you shall have the specimens you ask for. I devote my limited material to such as you and Prof. Eaton and Mr. Farn, etc. The plants are by me very carefully cassitera like many grasses, – the rootstocks branching below and easily separable.

459. I was surprised, when you called this Asplenium lanceolata; for it had not occurred to me this delicate little viscid plantlet, here found only in cold shade of cliffs of the very

negatives of these views I have by you
to make 6–12 of each for them

Yours faithfully

C. G. Pringle.

cause you to wonder in your, [illegible] just present. 4 & 5 is only another State of 1 & 2 (of which the whole stock was lost) which strangely resembles itself to cold stones — mossy rocks of a certain range of [illegible] hills.

I do hope you will be able to [illegible] good many fine photographs from my plates. Without any experience with such stops upon Cramer's plates to guide me, I risked little in that direction; but depended upon the acquaintance without rather [illegible] it, down quicker, than it would [illegible] ally fall. A number of exposures were made to please my Robinson friends, from whom I had so many rides on their narrow-gage railroad up to the mines of the Santa Catalina Mts. and other valuable assistance. If you get good

Charlotte, Vermont.

8, Dec., 1885.

My dear friend

Your hopefulness about the plants makes me light-hearted.

And then I am confident you will be justified there in the little Asplenium.

As for the white Rhododendron I have been near Mt. Katahdin, and so with you also it grows on the Southern Berkshire hills, where R. maximum was abundant, in many situations, some not very unlike that in which this grew (on face and verge of dry calcareous ledges and cliffs), I have seen it always varying in character, with the tendency of R. maximum when close by it, if approached it varies in appearance, would even in my thought of putting it under that sp. I [illegible] sp. I would be [illegible] if I saw it R. [illegible] in Sabrina was we first [illegible] of.

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

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we have found two of "Bugbee" "Views for the Stereoscope"

Charlotte, Vermont,
U. S. A.

My dear friend, 23, Dec 1885.

And now thanks for your interesting letter about photographs. Our mutual friend [illegible] without your position may could hardly have believed that I failed there to draw the slide!

Glad you find a good picture of Mrs. [illegible] dining car. I wanted to please the good lady who fed us so well; so I sent you 6 and one 6 extra copies of the picture.

So the times are giving you glimpses of [illegible] life! I [illegible] in a lazy fellow and very cautious to avoid; so be you about us [illegible] to appear in his [illegible] (sarcasm) unless the writer is better [illegible] that the other side of the long [illegible] is always [illegible] shoulder. And the "strange projection" are water-spouts to carry the rain of the earthen or cemented roofs. But you will find lots of doubtful! Yours C. G. Pringle.

UNITED STATES

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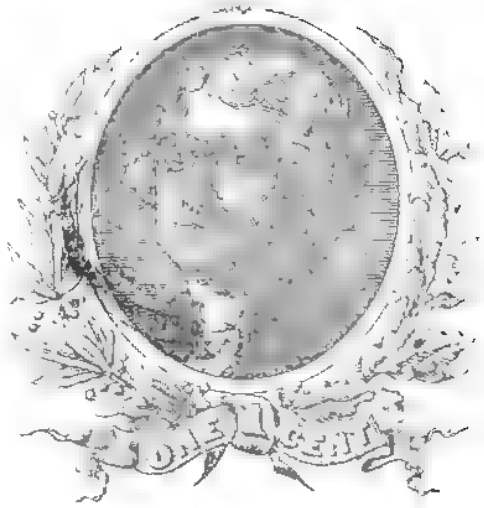

Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

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[illegible] 6, [illegible], 58.

My dear friend,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont.
22, Jan., 1886.

My dear friend,

By mail I send you a parcel of forms, such as you were intimated a desire to have from me. Bill and ticket, when [illegible] the printer.

I am interested in your efforts to [illegible] the two or three strange forms on the right footing; hope (and claim) you will persevere.

Dr. Gray writes me I go not far beyond the ground I occupied last year except to explore the Sierra Madre of Chihuahua. There I hope to meet with the forms found by Lemmon in the Arizonicas. Do you think it possible for me to get a few forms my collection? I don't [illegible]

I am eager to see the Mexicans you have been making from my [illegible]. Do you think some of them would be able to pay for materials? Just [illegible] to your [illegible]? Do [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont
23. Jan., 1886.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

The views have come and have given me much pleasure. Some are beautiful. I think it is the morning exposures which you found underexposed. For that hour I might use to advantage, I am thinking, a shutter with an opening twice the length of this one. I think I can make such an one out of pasteboard or cigar-box stuff. The opening in this one I am going to enlarge as advised by you.

I see that the larger part of these views are of personal rather than general interest, and therefore

not salable. [illegible] it is no [illegible] thing [illegible] please the proper [illegible] your [illegible] or many [illegible] to the mounts: ains; [illegible] I am glad to [illegible] the most of the exposures made on their account come out good. On the enclosed slip, I indicate the numbers of copies of a few more views, which I buy you to make for them, also those of which I would like a copy for my assistant.

There are 7 negatives which I hope you will [illegible] up, — 8a, 20, 34, 32, 23, the exception being one in which appears (in white head of a donkey or mule?), and that one of boy (the Robinson boy), which shows a Mexican by the name lighting his cigarette.

I have 4 doz. Keystone and 12 A & R. plates left. Will want a few more in [illegible] time.

I received last evening a note from Mrs. Piper [illegible] saying that she [illegible] not been able to leave the house the past summer, and was [illegible] the woods and fields. [illegible] says she was not even [illegible]. Can't you say a few [illegible] about a day [illegible] her? I hope we shall not be [illegible] have her with us. I [illegible] think I would like to visit [illegible] to see her, and you, and Dr. [illegible], and the Jaques; but it would take a week from my collecting [illegible] and much money which I need to [illegible].

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

PRINGLE & HORSFORD,
CHOICE NOVELTIES.
NORTH AMERICAN
PLANTS AND SEEDS.

Charlotte, Vermont,
U. S. A.

My Dear Friend! 1, Feb., 1886.

I am certain that the fronds of 448 Pellaea are "annual", getting their growth, fruiting, and dying down, all within a few months; I can't just say that "die down during winter", as that covering is so different here; but it amounts to that; for fronds brought up by fall rains may survive a frostless winter and fruit early, but each will surely die down after. The fronds of the old fashioned P. cordata are biennial and fruit the spring after making their growth, like all Pellaeas of similar firm texture.

441 grows 6 to 8 inches high

Your faithful Pringle.

UNITED STATES

POSTAL CARD

Nothing but the address to be on this side

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

FEB 12 1836
10 A.M.

Charlotte, Vermont
12, Feb., 1886.

My dear friend,

Thanks for the reading of this letter.

Mr. Baker probably means "1391" 1383, which is (as I have it from Palmer,) the same as my 991.

~~Parry & Palmer (or is it~~ Palmer's) 1391. I know nothing about.

How strange anyone should [illegible] at the two Pellaeas

If you have not sent Mr. Baker complete plants, we will have them in my care 15 to 20 to keep in a few weeks (except Dr. Gray.

Yes, I saw your elf[illegible] to Dr. Gray, did not know you were [illegible]

well in verse!

Am now buried in distribution –

Good luck,

C. P. Cranch.

Charlotte, Vermont.
15th May, 1886.

My Dear Friend,

I have to answer your card to Mr. Stoddard who is away on his wedding journey.

It was I who sent the box of plates. I did not have time to accompany them with a letter, and have not found an opportunity to write till this morning.

I have been at home three weeks. I brought back, as you must have found, a few exposed plates; before sending them I wanted to add to them a few exposed at my cousin Clark's (they promised) and this took some two weeks. So you got no letter from me.

You can appreciate my desire to make no noise about my being at home. I had to write to Cambridge and to Washington.

You were anxious about me, because you did not hear from me. Then you must have written to Kilmainha, though I looked in vain for a letter from you from the time of my arrival there.

This is why I returned so soon; — I found the lowlands of Mexico rainless since last October, and almost no vegetation starting. Last year there were good showers during winter and spring; and here and there I could find enough to repay my toil, not so this year. Then on the sixth day I was attacked with fever more severe than ever before. So I deemed it prudent to come home to recuperate and wait for the midsummer rains.

I am nearly well again. Yesterday I walked twenty miles without fatigue.

As I am planning to return quite very soon. Perhaps I shall stop for a month in Colorado. Probably I shall go in two weeks to the Mts. of Arizona to gather big cacti, — to the Huachucas, I think, if time to find "Conservatory Canon."

Next — it is my desire, strengthened by most of Dr. Engelm's to visit the Chiricahuas Mts., of S.E. New Mexico. Then by August 1st — to be in Chihuahua preparing to move in Sierra Madre, where some rain is sure to fall in the driest of years.

Before I go back you will kindly show me the results of these last plates.

If either of the views of Rev. Mr. Eaton's garden, etc., comes out good I shall want a dozen photos of it; and if either of those of Rev. Mr. Sutton's grave makes a good negative, I will take six. The latter was a dear friend of mine, and the [illegible] proves a kind one.

Of last years photos Mr. Fair wants 6 more of his family group & 2 of his "Tienda Barata", 2 of the silver mill and 2 of the ore train.

Not since 1880 have I been away in Vermont. What verdure everywhere, and how deliciously fragrant the air!

You will need to tell me over again about the seeds sent to Mr. Baker.

Now I am eager to hear from you.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

I have bought Dr. Palmer's Chihuahua plants. Is this fern rightly named Notholaena Ascendensiana? The only other species strange to me is Pellaea Seemannii, which is similar to P. aspera except that it is smooth.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
7. June, 1886.

My dear friend,

Your letter of the 3rd is before me, and the photographs came to hand Saturday evening. I am pained and troubled to learn that your health is miserable. Are you not planning a rest? I wish you could come to Vermont for a few weeks; and I have been thinking you might bring a box of plates and go about photographing Vermont homes, etc., and thus make money enough to pay the expenses of your trip, ~~and~~ quite as much, (I should think) as though you staid at home. I think the life would repair your strength; and I believe

you might do quite a little business, if you could offer photos for about $2.50 per 12.

If I were to be at home I should urge this course. Yes, I am bound to make a good collection yet this season, and hope to start out soon. I find I can walk 20 miles a day without much fatigue, am quite over my fever, and soon rains will bring up vegetation in the S.W. Don't be anxious about my health; I can manage that; would not have come home for that alone; the drought was excessive, and having passed back the temptation to improve the time here was too much to resist. I want somebody to kill off Geronimo and his bad Apaches so I can go again to the Huachucas for a lot of lily bulbs, etc.

I divide with you my stock of Moth. Princ. Davenport — grateful to see our names again so closely coupled, though I can hardly understand how it is not Palmer since that gentleman first brought home the plant. Of course, however, that is not an imperative reason. I don't know as I can give any further information than the specimens afford, except concerning its habitat. I found it among the Santa Lucia Mts. a dozen miles east of the city of Chihuahua, growing from crumbling lime rock about cliffs and and in the beds of gulches. These last especially often presented the appearance of heaps of refuse from lime kilns. In such meagre soil the fern has a foothold, and during the greater part of the year is as dry and white as the soil in which it stands.

I am glad to see the few new Chihuahua views come out so well; and my cousins

Clark are immensely pleased with the pictures of their home and pet horses.

Will you please print and send to

Geo. A. Clark, E. Charlotte, Vt. the following?—

View of house which shows back door from the best-plate (I think there are two plates) - - — — 10

View of house from highway in which the horse stands erect and still ... 10

View of man with horse, from the plate showing the more distant view ... 12

[The closer view seems not well focussed]

View of mother and children with their horse - - - — 12

Also (to come in same pkg) one copy each of the two views of my Chihuahua home and one of the posts for my good assistant—

And please drop post-card to Mr. Clark when you send pkg. I send $5. to pay—

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont
13, July, 1886

Dear Mr. Davenport—

In two days I shall, I expect, be off again for Mexico. No need to say much on this subject; you know my long-cherished purpose to explore the Sierra Madre of North Mexico, and how I have as yet fallen short of my promise — The Apaches are this year on the further side from Chihuahua, some 300 miles away. The Mexican Indians are good. I trust to find friendly Americans here and there, where I travel.

By express I send you a box of exposed plates. Please send results (say on prints each) to F. H. Horsford, Charlotte,

and, if my friends are pleased, they will order numbers. I am apprehensive that you do not charge them enough in the ten cents at which you began. My mother has never consented to sit for a likeness, and I was so anxious to secure one when she proposed to stand by the horses, that I made five exposures.

Fred wanted me to photograph some carnals, but I could not get near enough with my lense to make large pictures. There must be lenses for such things in life size.

I had to pay 150 per cent duties on the plates I took last spring. So I thought of the paper invention which might in my valise escape the notice of custom house officials. Have you tried it yet?

May I not hope to hear from you in Chihuahua? Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
8. August, 1886.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have now been at home a few days. Within a few days after my arrival in Chihuahua I felt compelled to return to bring home a sick assistant, who sickened on the bad water and other unfavorable conditions of that terrible country, and could not, I believed, safely remain there, nor be safely sent home by himself.

I was not aware of the serious aspect of the border troubles until I was north of the Rio Grande. Now, being on the safe side of that river, I am trying to restrain my impatience to get back to

my work, until I can hear of the international troubles being settled.

But I feel dreadfully undone by this last rodeo journey. I feel out of place now at home, and believe I shall be most discontented, if compelled to remain here through the season. Vegetation was starting tolerably well though later than last year. It has been my purpose to return, even if, owing to the depleted state of my funds, I have to go alone.

I have not wished to inform my correspondents of my return; but this letter is due you by reason of the friendship that exists between us and the gratitude I feel towards you for the comfort afforded me during those melancholy days by your Fern Notes in Young Bulletin just at hand.

Cousin Fred hands me your much-prized present of a framed copy of Wordsworth's Poems

and eight of my photographs. I am glad to see that some of them come out satisfactorily. Mein Geo. W. Pindle and his wife are delighted with the good likenesses of their babes as No. 5 shows; and Mrs. Jennie, his wife declares the likeness of Geo. in the same picture the best he has ever had taken. He will want you to copies.

I presume you sent only a part of the proofs; or I trust all the remainder were not spoiled.

I may be starting back to Mexico before the end of this week. Will be very anxious about me, if I go again. The revolutions are in other states than Chihuahua; and the international troubles must soon be amicably arranged, I believe.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pingle.

H

Cuernavaca,

19. Sept., 1886.

Dear Mr. Thurber,

I rejoiced the other day to read your kind letter of August 24th forwarded to me here by Fed. I presume that he in writing you informed you of my setting out the third time for Mexico and of my good assistant of last year bearing me company.

We have been here three weeks, and are having fair success, though vegetation is only about half as vigorous as last year. It is very different — as respects species and their behavior. In the U.S. every plant flowers year by year near a certain date; here everything depends upon the

rains, which are as fickle as fortune.

The other day we went by train to Masula a large lone station on the plains fourteen miles to the south; thence a walk of three hours brought us to the highest peak of the Santa Catalina hills, a vast chaos of pinnacles and cliffs, which I barely reached at the close of last season, but did not explore. This time we were able to spend some three hours there before returning to the evening train home; and on the north walls of the great peak I found two ferns not collected by me before. Here I send bits for name. The Phibanthus seems not to agree with any recollection of C. Cordifolia.

Geronimo now being captive it is urged, that the terrible Apache scourge implicated in three reigns since their earliest settlement Tucson has been where it was unsafe for Mexicans to go a mile beyond the limits of this city, I is at an end; if so, there is

a sick and very— before opened it to prospective; and I hope following years will compensate for the disappointment and loss of this.

From the inhabitants of northern and western Chihuahua there is little danger. Hundreds of Americans are travelling and living in the region in safety.

There is much fever now with typhoid and malarial; so we have to exercise care.

Only a few weeks remain till the close of the season. Still planning a trip to the Sierra Madre, the poor Mexican pure about the ~~his~~ only Cuybear now; if I go, I aim for a wonderful canyon and its farms.

Glad you had a good vacation. Yes, out-door life would be the thing for you. Can it be planned?

Hoping to get a letter again some while here, I remain, Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
6, Dec., 1886.

My dear Mr. Sawyer,

Once more it is my great privilege to write you from home at the happy end of another Mexican journey, and to send you a few rare kind. In this journey everything went well. At Ind. strange mountains through the warm golden days of Autumn and authentic strange plants I was supremely happy. I have never had better health or been capable of more toil. I have gathered material for another distribution, if a small one, — 125 species for sets and enough extra to make some 10,000 specimens. I trust it is a good year for another year.

I have sent you all my items and just now will find me on the 4th inst. interest in this box, as before.

Yet another station found for Ainimitum Nivolgis! It seems is just about Fitimuha. But in the wonderful cañons of the Cohenos and in this [illegible] land one is never any meaning of it, I am confident.

I looked over the collection of a missionary friend, Rev. Mr. Thurston, made at Guadalajara, when Dr. Palmer went last July. Some I knew, some others of which I secured bits for you, not so.

I hope soon to hear from you, and to be informed that you are in better health than when you addressed me at Pichuahua. And please tell me how much I am in your debt for photo. work done this year. I left my camera at home this last time. Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont
30, Nov., 1887.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

Once more I am safely home from botanical travel; and I want to hear how it fares with you.

I send you the few forms of this year's collection. I don't know as I saw about the Sierra Madre the strange Chilanthus of 1886.

I have had a hard year, and have got badly into debt. My spring trip was a sad failure. My assistant fell sick before the end of the journey out; and, after spending considerable time and money doctoring him, I had to send him north. He was a mere man, and could not stand the water and climate. There is no telling what

case. I took this course as a brave, healthy former's son. Next I sent home for my assistant of several previous trips: but soon after his rejoining me I was attacked by fever more severe than ever before. No rain nor snow had fallen throughout the winter; scarcely any vegetation had started, and the country was getting dryer and hotter under the summer sun. I came home, to change my air & fever. I had wasted $600 or $700. I was low in spirits. I did not want to be twits to know of my retreat. I wanted to write you, however, but fearing if I should do so, you might be questioned.

Toward the end of August I was travelling back to the mountains 160 miles west of Chihuahua, again well and prepared, and with a good assistant and a fine outfit of wagon, mules, tent, saddles, etc. We camped for six weeks at the foot of mountains nearly 10000 feet high, amongst pine trees and beside a mountain brook clear and pure. I found myself surrounded by a strange and rare flora, and worked to my utmost to gather everything and make up for the disasters of the spring-time. Everything went well, the autumn weather was glorious, and I was supremely happy and secured a fine collection. Frost and cold winds by the end of October drove us away to lower and warmer regions.

Now as usual I have a distribution to make and herbarium work to do. But my first care is to pay my debts. In this matter A. Gray is as kind as a father.

I have a dozen or more photo. plates exposed before fires, etc.; can I get you to manage them, or would it be troubling you?

Anxious to hear from you again and

faithfully yours,

C. G. Pringle.

Letter and parcel sent to Mickford P.C.
Pringle.

UNITED STATES

POSTAL CARD.

ONE CENT

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

DEC 1 87 10 AM

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston.

Charlotte, 16 Dec. 1887.

My dear friend,

It is a [illegible] relief to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], and I [illegible] glad that I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], since I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] of articles in [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] also [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Prof. S[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] created [illegible] in my eyes, for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a year [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] my [illegible] "[illegible]" [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]. It [illegible] [illegible] at first—it was perfectly dark. [illegible]

first [illegible] of them [illegible] [illegible] again near the top of [illegible]? [illegible], if [illegible] found, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to Prof. S. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] afford me little hope that dear Dr. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] direction. I [illegible] [illegible] which way to turn. Mrs. Piper [illegible] 82 [illegible] St. [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] and called for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. C. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
22 Dec., 1887.

Dear [illegible]

Your kind and welcome letter came last evening.

Oh no! I have no use at present for the stereoscopic views. Keep them boys.

No trouble about the cactus when [illegible] to Rochester, I presume. Possibly [illegible] may want me to write about such plants.

Chil. Mexicana was a good name.

From the first I was inclined the tiny [illegible] opuntia might be an undescribed species.

Will wait for the form names till you are certain.

[illegible] news about our fossil friend, Sullivan!

Yours, [illegible]ly,

O. G. Pringle.

Mr. Geo. C. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
11, Jan., 1888.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

First, thanks for the names of the ferns.

Then: yes, "it is hard luck". But it is only a little part of the calamities of the spring-time following me up. When driven from my field last spring by drought and fever, I sold to an American photographer in Chihuahua the four dozen fresh plates which I took from Boston last winter. He would not buy them being afraid they were spoiled by age. I have no doubt that the trouble is all with the plates, and now I just want to throw them away and not bother you any more with them. I was

not anxious to have them come out — all — not so anxious — till Prof. Sargent asked me to write these articles and said my photographs would be just the thing for illustrations. I have been anxious to please him wishing to make a little return for his kindness, and hoping he might still want me in Mexico.

I don't want him to see them, lest he think I can do no better in future. Perhaps, however, Mr. Charles Faxon can manage the matter, and get get two or three good figures — So, I would be for you to send those you speak of; and please add two or three mounted views of the camp scene. I am glad that can serve as a memento of that happy time. Well, if you will fix up as well as possible a few of the best forest views, I will venture to slip them amongst the articles with an explanation.

Will you not keep the stereoscopic lenses as a return for the trouble I have made you in this matter?

I am toiling and struggling to get back into my feet again — to recover the losses of last spring and my indiscretions. I could make another journey, and have a good season, I might do that. If not, and I should fail in the attempt, little matter; for there is little happiness for me in Vera Cruz, or little prospect [illegible].

Well, well! I try to bear it cheerfully, and to keep from falling into a despondent and desperate state again.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

[illegible] yellow [illegible] P.

By [illegible] fri[illegible] [illegible] go [illegible]
with [illegible] [illegible] fashion.

It was [illegible] St. [illegible] [illegible] I
[illegible] Mrs. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] photo [illegible]

I should be very glad of a few (two or three at least) humble friends of the camp. I [illegible] [illegible] to my [illegible] assembled, [illegible] the [illegible].

If you should judge [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible], [illegible] the four [illegible].

Most earnestly do I hope [illegible] drop my recover. I have expected [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] I [illegible] inactive [illegible] I think it might help me [illegible] to be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

I have kept that you are nearly well again, I remain

Yours faithfully, C. G. P.

Charlotte, Vermont.
18, Jan., 1888.

My dear friend,

Don't "take cold" in [illegible] inspection your health, else you may [illegible] to go into the sick list for good; and, if a few more of my Boston fanatical friends get disabled, I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

I was striving so hard to pay my debt to Prof. Sargent and phrenology by my writing, that it did [illegible] [illegible] blue, for a little while, to see myself literally liable in damages. And during that little while I wrote you my melancholy letter. No, don't be anxious about me. Time was when you might have been; but while I have health and the freedom of

the fields, I ought to find something to live for.

I am glad to know that you find 827 so interesting. It was growing in a moist place on the edge of a [illegible] [illegible] near the summit of Peters Peak (Picacho de Pedro) [illegible] miles south east [illegible] forming a [illegible] with Selaginella rupestris, [illegible]

Prof. L. M. Underwood has written me for a selection of ferns. I never [illegible] supplied him before. He says he has [illegible] Lemmon's ferns and 86 [illegible] of [illegible], [illegible] from Shaffner. I judge he has [illegible] a lovely collection!

Oh no. Dr. Watson never makes much ado about my collection. I suppose he is to publish new species [illegible] Palmer; [illegible] I am told by Dr. [illegible] that they are Palmer's [illegible] ambition. [illegible] the [illegible] things [illegible] over and

and Dr. [illegible], [illegible] Cist. I not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]! I [illegible] collections #1 [illegible] and also [illegible] a [illegible]

[illegible] ; but I [illegible] that [illegible]. Dr. [illegible] finds [illegible], Prof. [illegible] new Genera, [illegible] he has two n. sp. [illegible]

I have [illegible] join in [illegible] publication; but some of my other Cal. friends don't advise it.

Dr. [illegible] are [illegible] in San Francisco. Greene has [illegible] with the Cal. Acad. of Sciences [illegible] [illegible] I regard him as a [illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont.

5th May, 1888.

My dear Prof.

I am not yet gone, as you can see; am waiting for last proofs and papers to come through Prof. Forbes.

Now I wish you would contribute five articles to Garden and Forest. You could photograph your specimens for illustration, and see them reproduced beautifully. And I suppose you would be liberally paid.

Do you see the Journal and notice some of our photos, reproduced by some process which preserves the beauty of the photographs?

I am wishing I might have a lens by which I could take

pictures of flowers and small plants somewhere near life size. How did you take the beautiful photograph of Philanthus Mexicana, for instance? I can't focus my lens so near. I am writing this, because I am hoping to secure this year a great many illustrations for the Garden and Forest, which I have come to admire much.

I may get out any day. Thanks for your advice to call on Mr. Cramer which I am planning to do.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Tomorrow I am to become fifty years old!

Charlotte, Vermont
11, May, 1888.

Dear friend,

Thanks for your letter and postcard. Last evening I received a line from Prof. Sargent, and am expecting to start on Monday.

Will not now try to have the celluloid palates.

No I can't manage my eyes for natural size views of small things; and are much reduced. It would be a good thing to have a Stellenger lens; but $37.50 is too much money for me to spare this year.

This is a good boy from

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Next address
Chittenden.

Charlotte, Vermont,
12, May, 1888.

Dear Mr. Sanford,

I wrote too hurriedly yesterday. I could never think of receiving back your box.

Last evening came a letter from Miss. Furbish; she regrets that she cannot see how I look — that I did not show myself in the view of a Mesquite Forest in Garden and Forest; says a friend of hers takes himself in his pictures by means of a string.

Continually asking something of you, My tired friend; but sometimes you might take to please two of your friends by printing two or three photos and sending to her, — say "Lifts on the desert", Des-

divina Cohabitio" or "Queen Cuita".

Miss F. and I have renewed our correspondence, and are getting more than ever before interested in each other. She is wishing herself young again that she may be a help to Bright. I feel like writing rather younger for other reasons — don't tell!

She tells me that you have visited her home.

I told you maybe address Chihuahua — for a week or two, then maybe (probably) Monterey.

I hope you will be able to take a good vacation this summer and get rested.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

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Steinmetzburg,
1, June, 1866.

Dear Mr. Newcomb:

Here I am again with an hour between of so many tiresome journeys, and therefore again I write for Monday. My hope is to finish the Museum work on this afternoon in time to pass events, and then move on about 10 to Grand Rapids for prime Chiefly — you know how many Palmer friends there in 1866 — over the new branch which now completed to that city.

In St. Louis I learned an honest with Elder Frost in other

Postage to Mexico is given to U.S. only 2 cents now

[illegible] Stet [illegible] to pound

[illegible] in [illegible] a long distance [illegible] to lose a day. I might [illegible] of a [illegible] [illegible], who [illegible]

Yo. Bo

I have been exposed to photo-graphy again to get a few of my good friends in the Congo Mission. Here I have [illegible] by mail, and [illegible] might ex-pect to [illegible] Please [illegible] Please [illegible] kindly develop them and send [illegible] [illegible] of each [illegible] Mr. A. E. Wright, [illegible] me to [illegible] any [illegible] of photos? This year I must keep [illegible], till I get some good pictures —

Yours [illegible]

[illegible]

with pin. per doz. [illegible]

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Charlotte, Vermont.
9, Jan., 1889.

My dear friend,

I am happy to write you that I am home again once more in excellent health and spirits, and with a large collection.

I think I wrote you last from Chihuahua before starting for the western Sierra Madre. Arrived there I found the season weeks in advance of that of 1887 — closing indeed for most plants and frosts beginning to fall. So there was no encouragement to travel far back among the mountains, as was my intention; and, after gleaning about my old camps for two or three weeks, I moved as swiftly as possible far south to

Guadalajara, a grand and beautiful city within the torrid zone, in whose vicinity were far more species than I could manage and where I lingered till the middle of December. At that date the weather was at its coldest for the region, yet there had been only one slight frost, and I left bees and other plants flowering and to flower throughout the winter with spring-time to begin in February. You cannot be surprised that I left with the hope of returning for the spring flora.

Rev. John Howland and wife of the A. B. C. F. M. of Boston kindly took us into their fine brick house and did much to make our stay in Guadalajara pleasant.

I spent most of the time

working a region five to seven miles northward from the city where the largest river of the country which drains Lake Chapala has cut a chasm 1500 feet deep — the great "Barranca" filled with a semi-tropical vegetation, with plantations of bananas, sugar cane, oranges, pine-apples, etc.

My collection of ferns will show you that the Guadalajara region was even richer in ferns than that of Monterey. Here, as all along my journey I exposed dry-plates for photographs. In the way of a slight return for favors I did some photographing at the mission, making two exposures for each views and one of each of these Mr. Howland got developed in Guadalajara, and obtained very good pictures; so I am encouraged

to work for good results this year.

Yesterday I packed in one box it send you by express the plates — nearly 80 — and the two specimens, and in my hurry to improve an opportunity it send the box to our distant express-office, I forgot, as I am ashamed to think, to prepay charges on the box. I really do not know as I have done right in imposing upon you so much labor as these plates will involve; yet you remind by a remark in a letter, which found me in Chic^o, to anticipate seeing them come into your hands for development. I am unwilling to trouble you with much expense in the matter, and really ought not myself to indulge in ~~more~~ much more expense upon them (for this photographing has been a constant drain upon my failing

resources.) A good proportion of these are photographs of trees, etc., made in compliance with a request of Prof. Sargent; and I have thought that it perhaps might to relieve you of the trouble of ~~[illegible]~~ such and turn them over to his friend Mr. Codman. I am in entire ignorance about your relations with him — whether anything was paid you for the plates supplied to the Garden and Forest. As for myself I am under constant obligations to Prof. Sargent, and am glad to serve him in any way. But you must not let me abuse your goodness and patience with my photo work; and I shall not cease to feel uneasy, until you frankly inform me of your expenses on this account, so I may repay you, or until you assure me

as I cannot think you able to do, that you have found some way to make this business pay its own expenses.

To think of being without my camera on my journeys and thus unable to secure these interesting pictures is unpleasant, quite intolerable; so I am willing to bear this part of the burden of expense — one of the least — under which I stagger and toil in the life of a collector. But I cannot consent to "ride a few horses to death" in this, as it certainly looks as though I am doing; so, my dear friend, let me learn from you a big bill, when you are through with this job. I learn from Miss Burbidge and Mrs. Piper that you have been very liberal with them.

So much concerning the photo business for this time; concerning

the Lions; I wish to be able to examine first the parcel without trouble, that I may have the names for the printer as early as possible.

Last week I visited our dear Mrs. Piper in West Rutland, whither she came a few weeks ago to bury her husband. Her Cora lost her youngest boy, too, last summer. She returns to live in Boston and vicinity. It appears that she has never called on you — too humble to intrude upon you! The idea! I urged her to get into the way of dropping in to see you. You would both be charmed by this.

My brother's wife sends a dollar and begs you to print a few photos — 2 of our sons (No. 18 she thinks; it is the one in which the boys are sitting on the horse-block,) and Nos. 109 of the Hewitt house close by.

Have I not broken forth with a flood of words?

Now I hope soon to hear from you, my dear friend; and shall rejoice to learn that you and all yours are well and happy.

Faithfully yours,

G. G. Pringle.

P.S.

My assistant and I got caught with the photo plates in a wreck on our way home; I hope you will find that the glass escaped breakage as happily as we did.

Charlotte, Vermont.
27, Jan, 1889.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Thanks for so many names of ferns.

It would seem that the pinnæ of the Aspidium are sometimes auricled; specimen enclosed. But is A. falcatum known to grow nearer than the Sandwich Islands?

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
24. March, 1889.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have taken great pleasure in the views so kindly sent by you.

When you have sent me a full set don't fail to tell me what all this business has cost you. I feel sure that Prof. Sargent will want several of the negatives. I have explained that I cannot ask him for pay for any such; but I do hope that on account of his paper or of the Am. Mus. (if he gets them enlarged for that institution,) will offer to pay you.

I expect to by you to finish in best style a very few to present to Pres. Wade of your city, who is so good to give me passes over his Mex. Cent. R.R. I want to show him that there

are large timber trees in Mexico.

My assistant of six Mexican journeys, Geo. H. Welcome now married in Woodstock, Vermont, will be ordering from you a few views in which he feels most interest, such as that of our camp. He is the taller man in that picture. The other, Orvin Earle S. Pinkles, will surely want some too.

Among the Guadalajara views you will come upon some of the mission. I made two exposures each time and took out one of the two plates, which Mr. Howland got developed very satisfactorily in that city — excepting one of the whole mission — three pairs. It was hoped you would get a good picture from the other plate.

Then there were promises made by me to several Mexican gentlemen, which I must keep, if certain views turn out well — Are you not tired?

Here are the tickets — Now for my bills.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

$4.00 Doz
Mercer Lem

Charlotte, Vermont.

16. April, 1889.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

I am at last through with my distribution; and before the week ends may be off on another journey.

So now, for a last word concerning the photos. Thanks for the proofs and list by which I can be guided.

My cousin and assistant of last fall Earl S. Prindle, North Ferrisburgh, Vt., will send you several numbers for views which most interest him or in which he figures. He is the chap with the white hat seen so often by the trees.

So, too, I think, will my good assistant on six journeys, Geo. H. Welcome, Woodstock, Vt. You must make them pay expenses or more.

For myself, I will not burden you at present

me pictures from all the plates. I do not care much for many of the trees. And will you not break up and throw away all such plates as will not print endurable pictures and all the poor duplicates. Don't give such room.

I beg you to print mount and send here for me at your convenience Nos 29, 30, 36, 37, 43, 48, 49, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 61, 67, 68, 69, 70, 23, & 25.

I exposed duplicate plates for the two groups of the Guadalajara missionaries, their school woman and donkey with children, etc and half the plates were also nice developed by a photographer of that city. They came out quite satisfactory — with the exception of 67. I am confident, if you will print four nice pictures from this plate and send one each (mounted or unmounted,) to Rev. John Howland, Guadalajara, Mexico, to Rev. Henry M. Bissell, La Barca, Jalisco, Mexico, to Rev. A. C. Wright, Cusihuiriachic, Chihuahua, Mexico, and to

Rev. Mr. Grimes, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, with price per dozen, that this gentleman will order.

The first — two (they show in the picture in the order in which I have given their names above — beginning at the left or next — the pillar,) are missionaries of the A. B. C. F. M. of Boston and I should think this picture as well as that of their school at Guadalajara (No. 66) and the court-scene (No. 68) would sell at the rooms of this missionary society.

Please, also, finish up one or two of the best of the views of the house, etc., of Rev. James S. Eaton, Chihuahua, Mexico, and send him with price per dozen — 32 or 33 and 61 or 62.

Please, also, send two mounted photos of No. 57 to Sr Don. N. L. Carillo, Chihuahua, Mexico.

And one each of 34 and 35 — (Sambucus Mexicana in the garden of the governor of Chih.) to Sr Don Abraham Najera, Chihuahua, Mexico.

The subject of No. 36 is Populus in the Alameda of Chihuahua. I thought Mr. Sargent would want it to illustrate the species and its use.

Now I am going to cease from troubling you — for a while; shall be anxious to hear from you of your health, etc., when I am in the field; and when I find a good place to locate for collecting will tell you where to find me by letter.

I shall probably be near Monterey again for a time or near Saltillo — or San Luis Potosi. There are three of us, one an ornithologist in favor with the Smithsonian; and we are backed by the U.S. and Mex. Govts, and have passes over nearly all the railroads of the republic. So don't fear for your grateful friend,

C. G. Pringle.

I enclose $4.5.; will go in St. Louis a few dozen Cramer plates and try to profit by your advice —

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Laredo, Texas.
28, July, 1889.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

It is time you had a letter from me, and you and my other good Boston friends will be glad to hear that I am well.

It gives me pleasure to report myself as in the end of March and early April here so far as this country, though I am having my share of the usual troubles with visitors. Of the two young gentlemen whom I brought with me, Henry one, the ornithologist, soon succumbed to the climate and proved inefficient as a collector and had to be sent back North; and now the occasion of my being here on the border is to find Prince the other, who, though in first-rate shape, has to receive the last visitor, [illegible]

have read, has sickness in taking a [illegible]
[illegible] My own Travels, during my first [illegible]
here and [illegible] times of [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] and travelling in his [illegible]
[illegible] on the work which [illegible]
[illegible] The long wooden [illegible]
[illegible] (as we found with his necessary
outfit of food, water, &c, and with his
[illegible] collections) the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] terrific, often perilous
[illegible], the patient indefatigable [illegible]
after rare plants growing on [illegible], the
obstacles interposed by the [illegible] peculiar
to these regions, sometimes by [illegible] objects
and not rarely by the [illegible] of the
country — all these difficulties are forgotten,
when the collector gets home at the end
of the year with his stores of booty, but
they rise in his way as he enters his field
again —

I have said I have been successful as the scouring of over 600 specimens already must testify; but the failure of my assistant to meet me in traversing the mountains south of Monterey, as I planned, [illegible] I have at last a few days spent [illegible] and have crossed the [illegible] mountain range [illegible] with some good results, as I believe.

I have made two flying trips to the [illegible] region with a view to studying the vernal vegetation; and I feel some satisfaction over the way I have [illegible] with these [illegible] in [illegible].

Now to your favorites, the ferns. I can report gathering [illegible] Lana mick, var. [illegible] about [illegible] near Monterey 1880 — I can be my mistake — [illegible] — About Guadalupe, numerous as were the species that there should

Thunderbolts of Lepidoptera, I was surprised on returning. I [illegible]
(Thanks to the Mr. Stone's [illegible] they) which must have disappeared [illegible]
before. [illegible] unfortunately, though
when we left here on the 6th, insect-life too
immature to be collected.

I thought to have been able in spend
a fortnight here this time, but I must keep near
the books for a week or two longer in the
hope of meeting with a publisher willing to
I mean to spend most of the remaining
months in Jackson and neighboring states,
because there I can visit the species
to be seen near Montreal or in the state of
Minnesota, and after repeated loss
numbers of specimens becomes of paramount
importance.

I have been prevented by the illness of
my man from taking up my notes for
Trip I. Fern Madre of Minnesota;

for an [illegible] it will be impossible [illegible] if I [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I want to know what [illegible] you have made of the [illegible] expedition. This season I have [illegible] so high [illegible] that [illegible] and my half [illegible] from [illegible]

[illegible] I have [illegible] health to this [illegible]

[illegible]

Will [illegible] you [illegible] just [illegible] coming home, [illegible] of my [illegible] Mr. [illegible] [illegible] you?

[illegible] Winnie [illegible] Wilmot [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont.
22, Feb., 1890.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I believe, if I tell you of my trouble in respect to mounting paper, you will be so good as to step around to some paper warehouse at your convenience — is it Carter, Rice, & Co., somewhere in Devonshire St.? — and learn where I can buy just what I want.

For years I got my supply from a mill in S. Lee, Mass., paying some 18 cents a pound for several reams each year. Last year I had to send elsewhere, because the company had failed. I sent to Washington, and had to pay a higher price. This is a sample. It came from Holyoke. Now I suppose the Holyoke mills are owned or controlled in Boston; and I don't want to pay freight to and from Washington.

I want flat-white paper like this, weighing 25 to 30 pounds per ream, and cut precisely $11\frac{3}{8}$ by $16\frac{3}{8}$ inches. It has been intimated that the paper offered for herbarium use at 18 cents a pound is called paper, that is each sheet has some slight defect. If this is true, I have no reason to complain; for I have always rejected a sheet.

Will you kindly tell me where I can send orders for paper as heavy as I use and cut just to my size, and have it matched year by year, and at what price?

So you will help a friend out of a dilemma — Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

16, March, 1890

Dear friend:

Good for the new Nottidana, and thanks to your critical judgment and determination for it. More than 500 n. sp. for my acts — about one eighth, and I all the while following after Dr. Palmer, that "keen and careful collector", S.W.

No I have not heard from Miss Furbish, but why do you ask? Soon I can and little.

Yours, etc., C. G. Pringle.

a. W. Seymour will have a p. on the Myxomycetes for Prodromus

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
27, Feb., 1890.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

It is pleasing to learn that you find so much of interest among my ferns. I thought you might want to send some of them to Eaton or Baker; so I put up duplicates. Sometimes I fear that I do wrong in making so much work to you. Any time you wish me to send to Prof. Eaton, please tell me.

The Hemionitis usually fruits here or small; the shape of sterile and fertile fronds the same. It grew in the great barranca near Guadalajara in rich soil of shaded ledges or banks. I got to it late, and secured scarcely

enough material to go around my sets.

2599 was found on limestone ledges of mountains near Monterey.

I trust you will be able to report names for these two and for 2591 soon so I can send them to the printer.

Have you heard of the death (in consequence of the grip) of dear Dr. Parry?

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont

18. March. 1890.

My dear friend:

I am delighted with the photo. proofs and must beg you to print and reserve for myself, my boys and my Waterbury friends (6 in all) as follows:

No 102 (3 photos.)
104 (2 ")
105 (3 ")
106 (8 ")
108 (8 ")
109 (2 ")
110 (3 ")
111 (3 ")
113 (4 ")

And send me a account of the photo expenses of last year.

Not long ago you enquired the height of North. rigid. It is one 100 feet

I am to be a good deal in the [illegible] (D.V.) of the mountain range in which the rare Aspidium [illegible], grows especially between San Luis Potosi and Tampico 300 or 400 miles south of Monterey; and I hope to get more of both plants and others and species of pines besides.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Mr. Christmas of San Diego writes that he expects to come east this summer and go as far as Maine. He says plants pine me wonderfully this year.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
4, May, 1890.

My dear Frank:

Time flies; and tomorrow I go to home — to mother and friends and away into the uncertainties of another long journey.

I have asked Edward Vilratt Jr., of Wilmington, Delaware to send you a little money on account of the photos.

Please write a note of thanks to my dear friend, assistant of last summer, Chas. C. Hammond,

Brownsville,
Windsor Co.,
Vermont.

another to my assistants of last year. Prof. A. Swift

Farnsboro, Vermont.

Another to

Geo. H. Welcome,

Woodstock, Vermont

and the rest to me in Laredo, Tex.

No. I mistake. In this way I may fail of getting some of the pictures. Well, please send to me here a full set and then forward as requested above as nearly as you can.

Can you not plan to spend the coming summer? You can work now as many years longer in this way. My prices are. My dear friend, I know that you are weary and ill.

Next address in Mexico,

C/o Rev. S. W. Grimes,

San Luis Potosi.

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

H

San Luis Potosí, Mexico.
(Apartado 92.)
21, June, 1890.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Your favor of a long time ago with photos was thankfully received, and many a time since I have tried to sit in peace to find an hour to write you. I wanted to be some [illegible] I have quite work now am preparing [illegible].

Twice a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays at 12.15 P.M. a train leaves this city for Tampico, returning here on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10.45 P.M. Since the first week in June I have with my assistant been on nearly every train. We

have gone down, seldom to the lowlands, but usually to the lower mountains, where we could work near two full days with trips. I was never in so rich a region, and now it is rising, the and many plants are in condition to be gathered. I am trying hard to master the vegetation there. Each great tree is a garden of ferns orchids, etc. I have found there — as yet hardly mature, however, — some two ferns unknown to me.

Now I show you a little specimen in the neighborhood of Santa Cajara last May, which seems to me different from Hymenophyllum dichotomum.

In the hot low rainy country we can find little food and little shelter — none not infested with bad vermin. So we carry our

food, and sleep in our rubber coats in railroad tunnels, on mountain sides, &c. for cannot dry our plants in such climate, & more so as to this sunny and comparatively dry region, devoting Thursdays, Sundays and Mondays to Pinal City — and other, as weather.

I still keep in view my plan of getting back to Guadalajara next month.

It would be importing it to claim a few lines from you, and I hope you can tell of better health.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
11, Dec., 1890.

My dear friend:

I have just returned in safety and in excellent health from my Mexican journey of 28,000 miles, bringing 20000 specimens — material for more than fifty sets of 3000 species.

I am eager to hear from you, for it is a long time since your last letter came to San Luis Potosi.

I have come home earlier than usual, so that I may next year get back into the tropical forests while the trees are yet in flower or fruit — I was much too late last spring —

and before the intolerable heats return. This is in compliance with Prof. Sargent's wish.

So I must work my distributions as soon as possible. I have about 20 forms for my sets, and can get specimens ready in a few days. I have thought best to ask, if I should send them to you. Or, are you going to be too tired and too busy during this month to give attention to them, so that it would be doing you a kindness to direct them to Prof. Eaton for his determination? Of course you would have specimens anyhow. Nearly one half of the species are Polypodia.

I write briefly this time, but remain Yours faithfully,

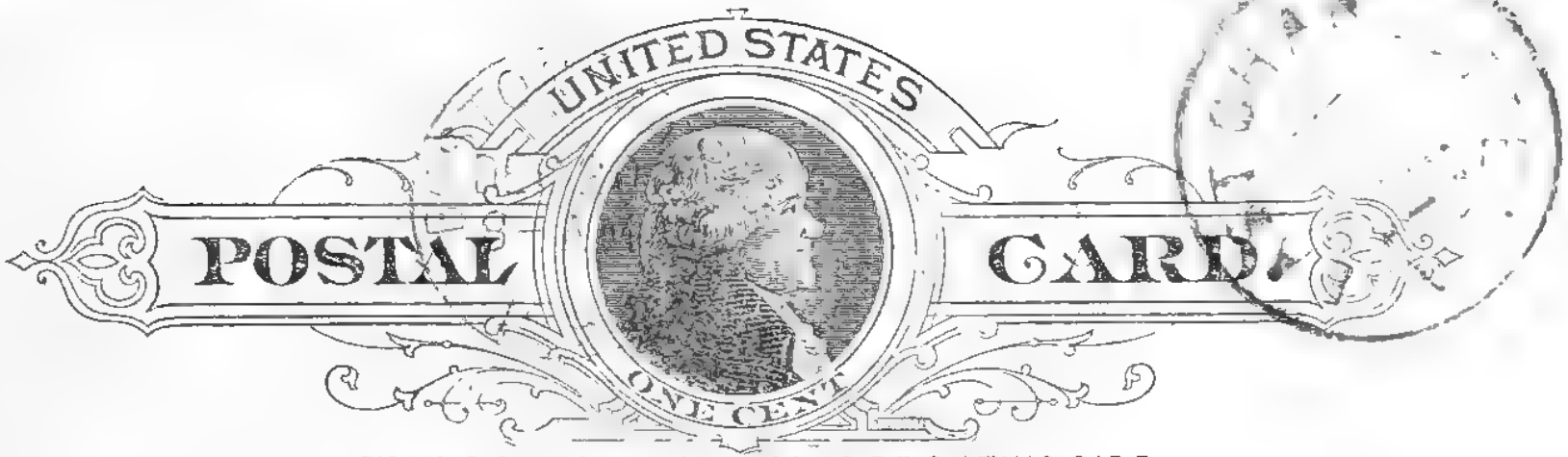
C. G. Pringle.

I will work up the specimens as fast as I can, and hope to be able to send them to you within a few days.

Charlotte, Vermont.
19, Dec., 1890.

My dear friend:

Two days ago I sent the ferns. You must have them on this, and must have found within the pkg a lot of the lycopodium Madrense Aspidium. It is as that I gathered last season. I thought best to send along all my specimens, large and small, so you could see the plant in all its forms and states. Some of the specimens grew on bare rocks resting in the sunny of the limerock, others grew in deep rich mould of mountain woods. It is a very common species of the lycopodium Madrense of eastern Mexico, and is not Aspidium polypodioides at all. If you be a collector and get to know such distinguished plants as Lycopodium Madrense, I shall be well pleased to see for it. Please write soon when you write and return the rest. Yours truly, C. G. Pringle.



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Mr. Geo. C. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
19 Dec., 1890.

Dear Friend:

Thanks for the Photograph-ic Annual. And with your fern photo. you give me a sensation. Now I shall be impatient to get back once more to Guadalajara, for I have put 25 specimens left of Noth. Nudeyi, v. Mexicana — only half enough for my sets. I got "Noth. Gracyi" near Guilmarena (No 463). Have you one of these specimens, so you can tell whether it is that species or N. Nudeyi. And do you think this last a very good species?

Yours fly. O. G. Pringle.

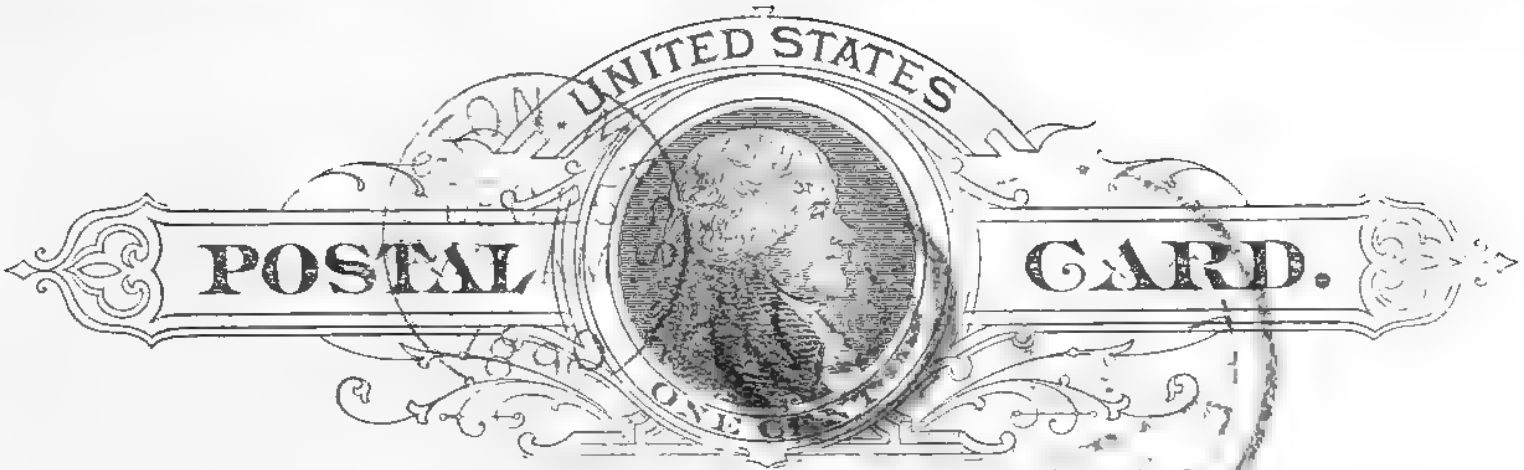
Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
23 Dec. 1890.

Dear Mr. Saunders:

Your postcard concerning "Sierra Madre Agave" is received. Well, I will give in, especially since I read in "Trouchi" "Monographia Filicum" that A. juglandifolium is made to include four species of Fournier. And perhaps after all it was this Sierra Madre plant (very likely from Mt. Orizaba) which furnished the large wide type. My Chihuahua and Arizona specimens, however in fruit, with broader pinnae and 6 spinulose-toothed, may best be called an extreme form of a variable species. And a curiosity.

C. G. P.



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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte,

30, Dec., 1890.

My dear friend:

I am glad to hear from you so favorably. As you judge, it is probably best to submit the Polygonum to Mr. Baker. I do not hear from Mr. Watson of late; so do not know when to expect his lists of determinations. There may be time to get the name from him, before I begin making up my sets. Dr. Britton hopes to finish some subject to him a week or two ago.

The Aminia was a surprise to me, so close to A. Mex. in appearance yet so distinct in characters. I could not refer it to any of the sp. I saw near Lexington; intend to make another trip to find it.

Yours C. G. Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont
6, Jan., 1891.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

On New Year's day I reached home again in perfect health, bringing as large and rich a collection as ever; and I lose no time in putting into your hands the remaining forms of the collection. And I have remembered your wish to have more specimens of our new species. Hottonia inflata, Davenport, however, you will not find in the package to go by mail with this, because I did not visit the Monterey region on this last journey.

I anticipate much pleasure from the reading of your fine papers in Garden and Forest. As yet I have not had time to find them. I hope this will find you well and

happy, and remain

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

P.S.

Will you please give me the pseudo address of Prof. L. M. Underwood. I have a strange Lycopodium to examine this time

Charlotte, Vermont.

8. Jan., 1891.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Last evening I was delighted to receive your list of fern determinations; but I must trouble you farther, for I find no mention of Nos 3356 or 3357 (which are the same plant—) 3358 (is this Polypodium elongatum Swartz?) or 3359.

Can it be that I did not send you these three ferns?

As there is time (Mr. Watson's determination not having come to hand yet—) I will wait till you hear from Prof. Eaton respecting No 3355, before printing the ticket.

3357 did I not give this correctly as 3357?

Here I enclose 3358 (St. aphavid) and 3356 (pinnate Polypody) and 3359 (is this Pteris?)

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

12, Jan., 1891.

My dear friend:

I cannot understand how the three firm, 3356 3359, failed to go to you, unless they got into some Camile meeting up at the same time for Mr. Boston or someone else.

However I need such fine specimens for study and keeping. Please send for me.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pimple.

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ONE CENT

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Mr. Geo. E. Sampson,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.

25, Jan., 1891.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I thank you for your long letter. It is just what I have been wanting. More than once amidst my busy hours the desire has come to me to ask you about Mr. Morong. You have anticipated in the fullest measure my request; and I shall govern myself by the information which you give me. Too bad!

I foresaw all these discords and all this rivalry, before Dr. Gray's death; and on my last visit to him expressed my forebodings. And now the calm confidence then shown by Dr. Gray is assuring. "After a time," he said, "there will be one here who is a strong man." To this one, as to a friend and brother, I

are found to be loyal for Dr. Gray's sake and by reason of his own wisdom and mobility of mind.

I didn't know as your varieties came from the Picris longifolia will serve for my distributions. Did I not send you two large specimens? If Pitt showed the bipinnata I sent, I made a mistake. That character is an extreme one only shown by the most luxuriant plants of the region. The most of my specimens are simply pinnate like the first little frond sent you, only much larger. What can I do? Mr. Watson's way in such cases is to write the name thus: "Picris longifolia, L., var." I suppose all the specimens show extreme variation in sharpness.

I believe the Aspidium is disposed of in the right way. This eastern form is quite likely the type.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle

Charlotte, Vermont.
24, Feb., 1891.

My dear friend:

Here are the tickets for your fern specimens. If any are lacking, or any further information is desired, please let me know.

It was kind of you to give me a peep into your study.

I have not yet begun the dreadfully irksome task of making up my acts. Yet I hear from San Luis Potosi that the trees are in full leaf there. However there remain many a long months ere the end of the year.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont,
16, Jan., 1896.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I am glad to hear from you once more; and thank you for the fern paper, though I have the Garden and Forest regularly and have read them. I thought it strange that you should change to Nothochlaena. My own contributions to G. & F. have sometimes been edited in the way you complain of; I have supposed the work done by the New York editor, Mr. Stiles.

Of the *Adrostichum (?) I found in the Barranca of Las Canoas, State of San Luis Potosi, amongst willows and cypress trees, only three or four plants. Its caudex is a few inches high, quite like that of Crocbia Wulbiopteris; the fronds are erecto, four or five feet high, all without ones fruiting, also the top as

shown by the specimen.

Oh, yes. I am so sick in bed, that I have never seen the specimens you find in your package, or I would have them for you. I aim to secure a whole lot of specimens of each fern collected nowadays so my supply will not run out.

I have been distressed over the illness of Dr. Cotton, whom I have been wont to regard as a strong man with a premium of long life. Now, we cannot afford to let accomplish all the work which was upon him, and must be prepared to lose him at any time. And what could I do without him?

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

+ Gymnogramme trifoliata

[illegible]

[illegible] 9, June, 1892.

[illegible] Prof.

Should it need [illegible] you may be [illegible] to [illegible] of my [illegible].

[illegible], we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] specimens of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible]. You will [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] specimen [illegible] [illegible], I suppose.

[illegible] Bryophyllum [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] specimen [illegible] [illegible]. This is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

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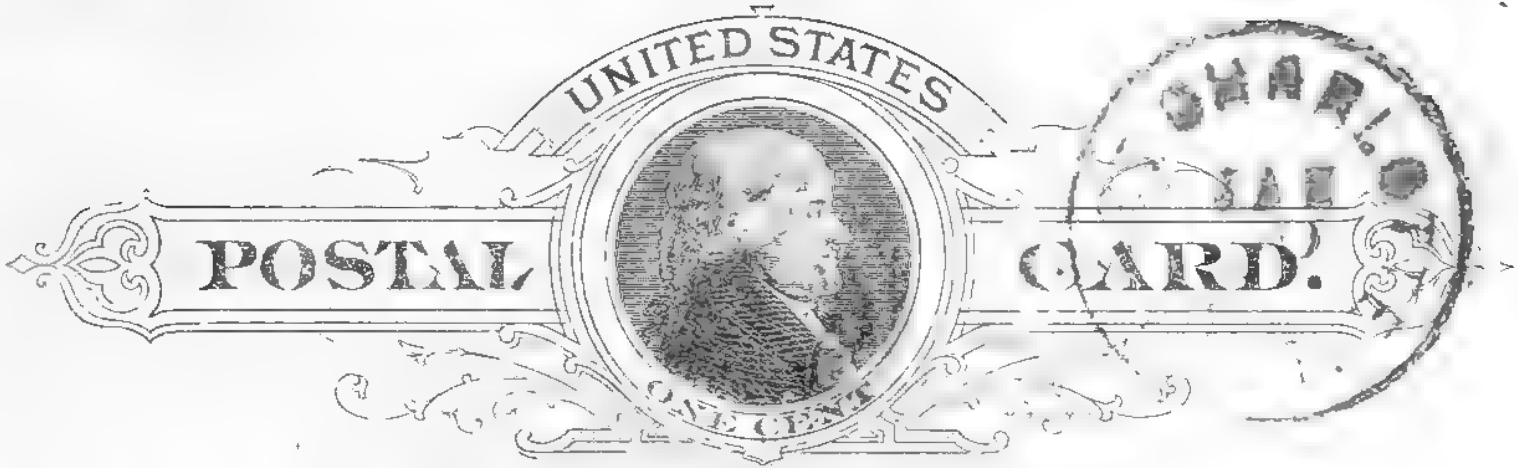

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE

Mr. Geo. E. Tompson
67 Valley St.
Medford, Mass.

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Charlotte,

1, [illegible], 3

Dear Mrs. Davenport:

I have decided to put by for another distribution all point of my last selection not fully determined, and to make up my silk according to this list, so that I can get away on another Mexican journey within two or three weeks.

I think I sent herewith tickets for all the specimens suits you.

You will be so good as to write me, before I go. Please tell me the news from Miss Kate Turkish.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
23, May, 1892.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Then I made a blunder in writing "Polypodium ensifolium, Willd." above the other name and am sorry for it.

I believe the two fronds of Polypodium petiolatum, were alike in character if not in size. Mine is 10 inches broad by 16 inches long on a stipe 7 inches long. It has 28 pinnae besides the terminal one; these are alternate, 4' to 6 inches long by 3 to 5-lines wide.

I looked for more plants (somewhat hurriedly,) and in vain; but shall hope to get it for sets this year, though it grows on mountains infested by tigers.

If I get many ferns this year,

I shall have to push further southward; for I have a clue to only one or two strange ones besides this.

By the storms — and another cause I am hindered from starting on my journey today. Possibly may not leave this week.

If fern turns up, I shall wish to put them early into your hands for study.

I leave with you my kindest wishes, and remain

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

San Luis Potosi,
29. Nov., 1892.

Dear friend;

In Guadalajara a short time ago I was surprised to hear of your anxiety concerning me, and now returned here I have your letter of the 7th inst.

At the beginning of the season I was straightened by the failure and return of one of my assistants, and since have had to crowd so incessantly to secure a good collection, that letters were neglected as much as possible. As I have secured but very few birds this season, I should think that I should have to go down to the coast-region or far to the south for more — but not this year. Hope to turn homeward in two weeks.

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.

5. Jan., 1893.

My dear friend;

Thanks for your New Years greeting.

On Christmas morning I got home from my eighth Mexican journey in excellent health, and here we both I send you the few ferns of my collection. They are few because I did not descend much into the lowlands. On the high lands of Mexico, where I spent most of the time, I had already collected the ferns back on the mountains of the State of Mexico, where I worked nearly all the rest of the season. I found only these to interest me. Did you ever find name for 3825 and 3957 of Lego your?

Yours faithfully

C. G. Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
67. Valley St.,
Medford, Mass.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
13, March, 1893.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Polypodium petiolatum was found on the branches of oaks on the mountain sides about the Station of Las Canoas in the eastern part of the State of San Luis Potosi. This must have been near the limit of its distribution — certainly on the western limit and near the dry region, where ferns cannot grow on trees — for I searched somewhat widely, and found only the two specimens.

I send on mine, and the tickets.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
19, Dec., 1893.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Once more I am home safe and well from my Mexican travel, and with my usual collections. So, I send you the ferns, though they are few, so few as to disappoint you, doubtless. This is owing to my having kept to Jalisco most of the season and to my being handicapped by poor help. In May I got into a good region for ferns about the Colima Mts., as you can see. It was my intention to return there for ferns, etc., in autumn — the season for ferns — but my assistants were to unsuit

of a burden; so, instead, I came home early to unload.

If, as I think, I send you Neph. grayi, it must be from an extreme southerly station — much farther south than before recorded. It was 50 miles west from Guadalajara, where N. Schaffneri rather than this species is common.

By the way when I compared these plants with my lib. specimens I came upon an unnamed specimen of Palmer's Batopilas (S.W. Chihuahua) collection, 1885, which is densely tomentose beneath. It is ticketted "N. grayi", but Eaton makes no mention of it in his report. It may be worth while to look it up in Camb. Herb. With the wishes of the season

I remain, Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle

Is this a mere of the two species of Physanus among which I must for the winter. Do the Eing are G. Cicuta? I am to visit Cambridge

Charlotte, Vt.
18, Feb., 1894.

Dear friend:

Shall I distribute 4420 as a variety of Gymnogramma Eurybryana; and, if so, have you a varietal name? As it grows cliffs, *muralis* would be fit.

Yours, C. G. Pringle.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston.

Charlotte, Vermont
18, March, 1894.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I was delighted to get your letter of Feb, 27th and see how well you had made out in naming the difficult ferns. And here are the tickets — as many as printed. I am sorry I can hardly send you any more specimens. I send you more than half of my material of 5534, Aspl^m pinnatum, Sturtz, var. hastatum, Davenport, and of that of 5531, Aspl^m cicutarium, Sturtz, var. palacenum, Davenport; and of 4420 I have had to divide specimens too small to mark them so around my distribution.

Yes, I believe you have received all the ferns collected by me —

3980 Asplenium hastatum, 1891.

Now may I ask a favor? Dr. Goodale wishes me to take photo-

graphs for his museum. He proposed to furnish me with a wide-angle lens for near work on fruits, flowers, etc.; but I hear nothing from him, and he may have forgotten the matter. My camera is in Guadalajara, and you can tell better than I the size of lens it requires. Are there many sizes? Do I need to buy some new invention in the way of a camera, or will mine still serve about as well. I would not like to incur the expense of a new one unless it is advisable. Will you kindly tell me the cost of such a lens, as I need, and advise about plates or films and their cost, and say if you will buy for me, if I send the needed amount?

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Springer.

I have begun making up my outfit, and hope to start on my tenth journey in two or three weeks.

Charlotte,

25, March, 1894.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Here are the tickets needed by you - I am glad to hear your judgement concerning the two species of Trichomanes.

From Cambridge I now hear that Dr. Goodale has ready for me both a camera and lens.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle -

Charlotte, Vermont.
12, March, 1895.

My dear friend:

It was not till the 1st inst that we reached home. All right except for a tough fight with malaria, now subdued.

Did you think I got but few ferns? The last month was spent about Orizaba on a grand fern-hunt — as the package I now send to your home address by mail may show you. Those without tickets are for art; will you kindly give attention to these first, so I can send the names to the printer?

The region about the base of Mt. Orizaba is a wonderful place for ferns. I only began on them, and hope to return to secure them all.

I am desolate in my home, having to mourn the loss of my precious mother afresh.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle

Charlotte, Vermont.
21, April, 1895.

Dear friend:

Thanks for the fine worms. As respects the Aspidium Phegopteris and Gleichenia not determined by you, I think there remains still a month or more ere the worms all come in from Cambridge so I can finish printing tickets; and in that time some light may come to you on them — or I lay them over for another year.

Yes, Mr. F. H. Horsford is spreading his nursery very much, and can, I think, supply almost any plant.

Dr. Pickerson writes that you

did not find a specimen of Agave Stricklandiana. I am not able to say positively that I ever photographed the plant, but an impression that I did remains with me. I did not know the name till recently, so that name does not accompany the plate. You can doubtless remember if you saw in looking over the photos one of a very stout Agave with stems as thick as one's leg and some fifteen feet high and with leaves but two feet long, very broad and hard. I am very hopeful there is such a plant to be found.

I have 1500 plants yet to mount and my rose distribution to do also. Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
26. May. 1895.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

It was the first time I have failed to see you when in Boston. I told Joe how it happened, and, I believe, how I was to start back on the Mexican journey as soon as I get my distributions made.

Very soon I must take such plants as are fully named and make them up into sets, letting the unnamed ones lie over till another year.

So, I wanted to ask if you gave up the Aspidium and the Phegopteris, and the Glischrochaita, nos. 6077, 6132 and 6189. As these were growing close by

the [illegible] of Orizaba, so often visited by collectors I thought they must be well known species.

And I wanted to tell you how I have the old home all my own now, how the plantation of Tres Lomas grows stately since your visit a dozen years ago, and how (but oh Las!) I am desolate here and half sick from mourning for my precious mother, as I have put away her things to make room for the stranger who has come to take care of the house in my absence.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
28, July, 1895.

My dear friend:

Accept my sincere thanks for the photographs of my blessed mother so thoughtfully made for me. They will help to keep fresh the thousand precious memories of her which I treasure, while I cannot hope to find ever one to comfort and cover me in her stead.

I am happy to be able to send in a package by the same mail the flora specimens you need. It gives me pleasure to hear that you are getting along so well in the weaving of my fence.

Now I am near the end of my distribution, and may be setting out for Mexico again after two weeks.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Mexico City,
24, Nov, 1895.

My dear friend:

Barring some rheumatism I am well and prospering as usual. Have just come from working the region of Cuernavaca 40 miles south of here. There I found three ferns strange to me. I don't know what this gold fern can be unless Chilanthes aurantiaca (or C. ochracea of Species Filicum,) though it does not agree with the description very well. As far as I know that species has only been collected once and that by Hartweg near Morelia in the same zone with Cuernavaca.

The little Asplenium I twice

you will find to be new, and will perhaps be a fibrillopsis. Note the fibrillose scales on the stipe and rachis and the fibrillose-lacinate indusium, so distinct. It is a tiny plant and must be rare in its distribution. The other form is an Aspidium with aspect of A. marginale.

I hope this will find you well and happy. And I will be glad to hear that you are in Caracas.

Can't tell yet when I will be returning home. Am tempted to go when the end of the year comes.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont,
7 Jan., 1896.

My dear friend:

Once more I send you greeting from my home. The warm, bright skies of the Mexican tablelands tempted me to stay on through the winter; but the fear that, if I should do so, I might not get afield again earlier than I did last year decided me to come home and make my distribution as early as possible. But what a bleak welcome Vermont is giving me! I got quite free from rheumatism, and have been in perfect health since.

And in fine spirits, only no glad greeting from my precious mother, and my heart is desolate.

I am eager to hear how it fares with you. And did you receive a letter from me some weeks ago enclosing bits of two ferns? I have better specimens and at least one other species to send

you for name soon. And the-firm not distributed last summer — I believe you wrote that you had at last made them out. I would like to send the tickets to the printer.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont,
8, Feb, 1891.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I was very glad on examination of your specimen, as I called it, (the body) was an Epidium and so named in passing. Now, after a close inspection of many specimens it seems clearly to be a species between Epi. ilicifolium and E. Virginicum. The indication is very decidedly towards the latter. I have appearing like in Kennedy Lake, and in Hinsdale Lake are the best of the plants with numerous plants. It was growing in a peculiar situation — in deliquescent peat on the edge of a mass of Cinnamon fern, perhaps 10 x 1. I took all in sight. If, if, it must be rare, and very dear.

crossed the qualities of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] —

[illegible] 40 [illegible] No. 6132 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. I [illegible] you will find [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
By the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] the question of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], I
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] large [illegible]
[illegible] will [illegible] [illegible] pleasing [illegible]
[illegible] results.

All this which I have [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] may [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

C. G. [illegible]

P.S.

I have to thank you for calling my attention to the matter of Aspidium Filix-mas. I must have got badly mixed on this and the pepperis and, I now remember, I had been giving altogether wrong ideas. I remember those narrow fronds. I only collected a few note-book for this. I think I must have dried them on usually as A. cristatum. It is not recorded on the register, I know not why) and cannot find out from my lists. Left out of my description. I'll see about the plants, when I go in that field, I am glad.

Yours &c.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
15, Feb. 1896.

Friend Davenport,

No. 5765 I first saw in the spring of 1884 growing on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible], however, when I was in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I don't know as I can [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

specimens — the [illegible]
[illegible] new [illegible]
[illegible] for the specimen.

6190 - Asplenium [illegible]
What [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

6191 - [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Asplenium [illegible] Drumpost.

No, but we discover the new species and have to give them descriptions. I like this arrangement better.

Yours faithfully,
C. E. Hemsl.

Charlotte, N.C., Dec. [illegible] 26.

Dear Mr. Sampson:

Aspidium [illegible], Sampson is [illegible] and Aspidium Serratum is [illegible] Aspidium [illegible] so, if you will [illegible] [illegible]

I have no root of Aspidium [illegible] Var. no. 6116; am thinking it was like the root of the spider.

Yours [illegible]

C. W. Dimpfl

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Charlotte, Vermont
26, Dec., 1896.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Aspidium [illegible],
was found [illegible] 5 years ago
a [illegible] fern [illegible]
[illegible] Vermont.

I wish to know if you get the
letters with which you have favored
me [illegible] Thus [illegible]
[illegible].

Yours [illegible]
[illegible] Pringle

I am trying with my work again
to get my collection off [illegible]
so as to [illegible] 6077 was printed, as you know; so, by your term,
6132 Aspidium scolopendrium, Davenport n. sp.

Charlotte,

17, March, 1864.

Dear [illegible]:

[illegible]

[illegible] before I start [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

6079, Aspid[illegible] Cirpovum, in [illegible] of ships

[illegible] Capt. [illegible] Mississippi Squadron

Craig [illegible] and [illegible], June 21, 1862.

6132, Aspid[illegible] [illegible], Commd of [illegible]

[illegible] Feb. 17th, 1863.

6141 Aspid[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] Bluff [illegible]

[illegible], 21, Nov. 1862.

Christopher [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

6124 [illegible] [illegible] Mississippi Squad[illegible]

[illegible] Brigadier, 5, Feb. 1885.

Gentlemen: [illegible] I hope [illegible]
[illegible] Feb. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Sept. 84

I wish you [illegible]
but if this [illegible] not supply you [illegible]
I [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Wright.

P.S.

I have power through [illegible]
[illegible] you may remember [illegible]
family of [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible], a [illegible] woman, who was
my cousin, and [illegible] [illegible]
Now the housekeeper is her daughter, a girl
of [illegible], but poor and [illegible]

V.

Charlotte, Vermont:
28, March, 1896.

My dear friend:

Your reasons for publishing the new genus are over outweigh mine for delaying. Mr. Nelson is likely to meet with it; had he been taking genus when with me on San Felipe he might have noticed it then.

And Fisk — I had not heard of him before. Will you kindly tell me who he is, where from, and where in Mexico he has been collecting? And where do his plants go to be named? And does he collect in large quantities?

Yours ever,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
25. April, 1896.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont
29. July, 1896.

My dear friend:

Once more I am home from Mexico in good health and with a large collection — but only a single fern for my pets! I kept within fifty miles of the city of Mexico nearly all the season. So I am sending you along with this only three of your ferns. Will you kindly give me the name of the large Acrostichum as soon as convenient so I may print tickets? Earlier collectors have found about Cuernavaca two or three species of Pellaea, which I can't yet find. I send you a Pellaea

from that region, which can be no other than P. sumavi. If really so, I am surprised that it was not seen there before, for it is abundant on the lava beds six miles east of Cuernavaca. Is it possible that this has been called something else? On those lava beds Hem. ionitis elegans is abundant also — within fifty miles of Mexico City!

An Indian revolt in Oaxaca in the spring deterred me from going there early after more material of your new ferns. Shall hope to do them justice next year.

Hoping to hear that you are well prosperous and happy, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Dear Mr.

Charlotte, Vermont.
13. Jan. 1897.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I must turn over to you the question of Mr. Gilbert. He wished to get my American farms, and I outline some 88 farms and farm allies with which he was quite pleased, sending me in return a package of his Jamaica farms. You will probably correspond with him directly in this matter.

Did it seem incredible that I should gather de you from each season. I am on old ground too much, for fearing anything bad when I hear from you.

It does not seem as though I am to be invited to visit Harvard this winter and I am still hopeful of getting

[illegible] in to the field my [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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Charlotte, Vermont.
25 April, 18[illegible]

My dear friend:

It is apparent that I shall not visit Boston this season. I have just finished mounting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Though I may [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Since the first of March I have distributed nearly 3500 sheets, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]. [illegible] I am [illegible] [illegible].

Hereafter I shall be making my [illegible] — Sets of 300 species each. Next [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] journey, I [illegible] [illegible] early [illegible] [illegible] to join a

Mr. E. Kent Hart, Prof. E.
Conquest of the State Normal School,
on a trip through the Wild Indian
Country to the Northeast of that
City. Mr. Prof. Conquest, whom I
like, offered me pick quarters in
his house, & I may spend much
of the summer in that city.

I enclose a letter which
will explain itself. Write you
tell me what you think of
this man and his Indian-fighting
work? Maybe I'll stop him, me

Yours
Truly
Theodore Roosevelt

Charlotte, Vermont.
24, May, 1897.

My dear friend:

I expect to set out on my thirteenth Mexican journey tomorrow, and hope to be in Oaxaca during June. So I am likely to receive your new Pillar and Acrostichum Principis, Jamp.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
17th Oct, 1887

Dear Mr. Davenport:

On my last Mexican journey I collected & believe not a fern specimen! I was all the time in fields previously visited by me, and I left rather early for ferns. I went a month on a trip to Canada, but it was too early for the fern fronds there, and I was expecting to return there in better season.

My journey went rather hard. On my way out I contracted sciatica and the pain in which I worried the first month, impeded my success. Then I took out a fresh assistant, who suffered from malaria every week, so it was well to expose him to sun and hardships. Consequently I had to work alone

in the field; and exerting myself to the utmost I got worn and nervous ill, when it became evident that my assistants should not stay longer in that country, I was obliged to come home with him upon a sick. The journey was a terrible one, when I had been home for six days, I took another run and visited Cuba. But I found on arriving in N.C. Rio, Texas, that I could not get through by the Mex. Cent. R.R. on which I had proved, because for thirty miles of the line was under water. The ancient Rio Bottom had filled with water in the floods of unprecedented extent.

Hence I am again at home. The plan is that I make my distribution before winter, and be back in Mexico by New Years to collect in the tropical forests during the first months of the year.

I am all alone again in this big house, because I have not yet found and engaged an assistant. It is a good thing to be at home and amidst my herbarium with a chance to study and to rest. But here I am often reminded of my loss in many serious other and of other kinds; so that sadness mingles with the joy and comfort of home.

And bereavements follow one after another. The last loss was that of our dear friend, Mrs. Piper. Did you hear of her death, which occurred on the 6th of July? I was not surprised to hear of it, for each of her latest letters was written as though it was to be the last. Yet a great void was made and such voids are not to be filled in this world.

I have had a moderate collection this year, and should have to be careful about incurring expense; therefore it seems doubtful whether I shall visit Boston this season, or see you and many other friends there.

Because I did not return to Cambridge your letters addressed to me there were never received. Too bad.

I am wanting to know about Scott. Did he collect for the Field Columbian Museum, and where? When?

Yes Charles, Smith collected so much with me, I am not surprised that he got fellow member and. Did he get Microstichum Pringlei? His plants were larger than mine. Another species?

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
9, March, 1928.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I thank you for sending me an account with samples of the firm of Mesrs. Cengalli and Gongaley. Prof. Cengalli is a warm personal friend of mine. He is Director of the State Normal School of Oaxaca, and my home, when in Oaxaca, is in his house. He is a cultured Italian, fair and blue eyed and forth-. When I was living with him last July he told me of owning with his brother a plantation in the mountains south east of Cordova, and asked me to

join him in a botanical exploration of that district in November at the time of his vacation from school. He believed we might find not a few new species there.

When November came, I was home with my sick assistant. So he took with him, it seems, Prof. Pergalli, one of his assistant teachers, a young man much interested in botany.

Only a few days ago I received a letter from Mr. Pergalli saying he should anticipate my visiting him again the coming summer. No doubt he will be again of our collecting party

Cordoba; and I am pure I shall hope to succeed in doing so this year; and if I do, I shall have a house to help you to the Sierra Madre.

I know this and the mountain north of the city of Oaxaca "Cerro (hill) de San Felipe"; but as its elevation is 8,000 feet above the city and 10,500 feet above sea level, I thought I ought to write it "Sierra (mountains) de San Felipe", especially as it is in a range called "Sierra de Juarez" and none of the peaks are noticeably higher than this one near to the city.

Good as Mr. Coyatti is and a hard worker as compared with the Mexicans, I would not make him a professional associate or assistant, if he were free to do so. And he has contemplated changing his profession to naturalist collector. He would recommend me a Mexican assistant from amongst his large acquaintance, if asked to do so; but I could not think of asking him — could not think of depending upon Mexican help or living with such. I had the best one I ever saw, got him to go to a friend of mine.

It is so exceedingly difficult to
to find just the right place
for a man for my assistant
in Mexico, I have been [illegible]
that I have not yet made
up my mind. This year we are
postponed until the period
over the election.

I am very sorry to part with
my distributor. It will not
take long to do, I think, if I can
get away about April 1st.

If we are to have a war with
Spain, I need to go immediately; but
think I can keep safe among
our many good Mexican friends.

Yours faithfully,

C. E. Coughlin

Iowa

P.S. Have I told you before that I have no unmounted specimens of the Ophioglossa called by Mrs. Britton? I must collect this year the American species for distribution.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
10, June, 1879.

My dear Mrs. Davenport:

I have the pleasure to send
you to-day to open your letter of the
16th, and to learn that you had
nearly had in hand the few forms
of my Opening session of 1878.
Before long I shall know when
you have received them.

But I was pained to learn of the
death of your second daughter. And
I am now grieving over the news
from my poor daughter — not dead
as far as I know, but to be a
suffering invalid till death brings
relief. She wrote me some
weeks ago of having just come
out of a hospital where she

[illegible] must be [illegible] during her treatment. The missing one's [illegible] through the [illegible] of one mother; and so it happening [illegible] to think that she [illegible] and would much suffer from that [illegible]. She is the wife of a [illegible] [illegible] and the mother of [illegible]. It was [illegible] of falsehood [illegible] me from visiting her with the [illegible] [illegible] my [illegible] prompts.

[illegible] "ill health" which made it seem wise [illegible] [illegible] may be [illegible] [illegible] that I was [illegible] getting ill - I never find that I [illegible] the [illegible] now [illegible].

But have no fear for me; I shall be disappointed and be sorry to return to my field in two months.

I enjoyed most of my journey exceedingly. The Salpa region is charming all along, my uncle little Jane is fascinated. I took in a Cist of Dozenfant, which had succeeded in find some between the page of the table cloth and the cloth, and of these I got and than 18 each, from for I can spend towards winter there. The most constant visitors began with June, and as yet the tablelands are brown and dusty. It is as the Greatest time of year for me to come

home to make a distribution. When I return and towards winter I shall expect to place some ferns not now in good condition.

During my last month I enjoyed the company of Dr. J. N. Rose and his companion, Dr. Hough, also from the National Museum. Dr. Rose is a good man, mild and gentle in his manners and kind of heart.

I have come home to miss my precious mother still again. But I have in my home a small family of good people.

With kindest care I remain,

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
23, March, 1900.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

Did you hear of my being in Cambridge for four or five days in January and feel that I slighted you in not even calling on you in Hamilton Place?

Dr. Robinson had me there to help him, the college paying my fare, and he kept me constantly at work looking over thirty to forty bundles of Mexican plants to name such as I could recognize at sight. One evening he took me into Boston to dine with Mr. Emile Williams and meet Judge Churchill and Mr. Hand. I had scarcely

an hour at my own disposal, and when Saturday morning came I had to come home. And I had thought I should certainly see you while on the trip - probably spend a night with you in Medford and should probably visit the Arnold Arboretum (which I have never done) and meet Prof Sargent and Mr. Jackson! This comes of being poor and a hard worked drudge.

I came home in October worn down again by toil fever and rheumatism, and by this am scarcely recovered. But I plan to set out on my sixteenth Mexican journey next week. I dread the journey not a little; but know I must work more carefully. I must be on the down-hill side of life now, and shall reach the bottom

soon enough, if I go slow.

Do not suppose I do not anticipate much pleasure from working again under the bright Mexican skies and gathering that rich flora.

On my autumn trip of only four or five weeks I got no more ferns. Here I send you the tickets for those of my spring trip. I expected you to call no. 8174 a Cyathea, because it is a fine tree fern.

I have not heard any news of you since last summer. I trust you are as well and happy as usual.

You can address me here, or direct to "Hotel Buena Vista, Mexico City."

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.